The Weather
Today—Clearing and windy; much colder tonight. Yesterday—High, 47; low, 36.
Fuel-oil consumption to date, 30 per cent of yearly allotment.

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Great German Push, Still Unchecked, Sweeps On Toward Liege and Sedan

Must Now Prepare for Longer War, Krug Says

Previous Estimates Of Arms Needs Scrapped as Result Of Nazi Offensive

By Ben W. Gilbert

J. A. Krug, chairman of the War Production Board, warned last night that this Nation "must prepare to fight the kind of war we have been fighting in the last two months for the next year, or as long as it takes."

Explaining to a press conference factors behind recent stepups in munitions-production schedules, Krug revealed that previously existing production would have met needs had Eisenhower succeeded in breaking through the west wall.

"Since he hasn't been able to, and since it looks like no breakthrough will be possible for some time," Krug said, "we must safeguard his strategic plans with additional production."

He announced at the press conference that 1945 aircraft-production schedules have been revised upward from the 75,610-plane figure arrived at recently to 78,227 planes.

Fighter Planes Needed

The largest increase scheduled, he said, was in the Army and Navy fighting-plane categories. A substantial increase in B-29 production was also called for, he stated, adding that the total increase was mainly in "critical categories of difficult-to-make planes."

Previous increases in tire and ammunition production schedules have been announced. Krug indicated that a further increase in the Navy plane-production program might be forthcoming and hinted that still further increases in other major programs were in the offing.

Krug predicted that heavy additional military demands would be made to replace equipment destroyed by the Germans.

"The German offensive," he said, "demonstrates the need for continued heat on critical programs."

As for the supplies needed for the expected Allied counteroffensive, "they have to be there already and are there," he said.

Fears Holiday Letdown

The WPB chief expressed concern that holiday celebration would cut into an otherwise good production record in December.

Pointing out that both Christmas and New Year's Day follow Sundays, he said "it would adversely affect production across the board" if all four days were lost as a result of absenteeism.

Workers were entitled to take Christmas off, he said, expressing the hope that those scheduled to work on the other three days would show up.

Reporting on his recent tour of

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Woman Saves Four From Gas In Alexandria

A call by Mrs. E. W. Mervine, of 5 East Linden st., Alexandria, to welcome a newly arrived neighbor probably saved the lives of the neighbor, her two children and a furnace repairman from death by escaping gas, Alexandria police reported yesterday.

Mrs. Mervine said she was unable to get a response when she knocked at the door of the home of Mrs. Victor Bringe, 33, at 12 East Linden st. Peering through a window she saw Mrs. Bringe and her children, John, 3, and Constance, 7 months, lying on the floor.

Opening the door and detecting gas fumes, she summoned help. The Alexandria Rescue Squad, headed by Thomas J. McCaffrey, and Sergt. W. W. Zimmerman of the Alexandria police rushed the victims to Alexandria Hospital where Mrs. Bringe was admitted and the two children were released after treatment.

The repairman, Earl Stewart, 27, of 509 B st. se., Washington, employed by the Iron Fireman Sales Corp. at 1812 M st. nw., also released after treatment, told police he had been overcome by gas from the furnace in the cellar, but managed to crawl out to the yard. He returned a short time later to turn off the furnace switch, but was overcome again.

Result of State Aide Row

Permanent Senate Bloc Looms To Challenge Moves to Right

By Robert C. Albright

The little bloc of New Deal and Progressive Senators who fought five of the President's six nominations to the State Department are discussing a permanent, if loosely formed, organization in the Senate to combat all future right-of-center moves.

The unsuccessful State Department fight was not the first time the group had worked together as a unit, but only since collapse of their filibuster have steps been taken to cement the "Young Turk" alignment into a bloc to be reckoned with.

Senator Claude Pepper (D., Fla.), leader of the group, has arranged a conference with the President for some members of the group shortly after the Christmas holidays, but one Senate member stressed yesterday that "this isn't a New Deal or even partisan movement."

"Our support will cut across party lines, just as it did on the State Department nominees," this spokesman said.

The group was known to have PAC support in its State Department fight, and will have it in future efforts to prevent right turns in the New Deal road.

In addition, representatives of at least two independent professional groups active for Roosevelt in the last campaign are known to have contacted Pepper since the nominations row and to have suggested close liaison.

The new Senate alignment traces from the Chicago Democratic convention last summer, where two of its members, Pepper and Senator Joseph F. Guffey (D., Pa.), led the unsuccessful fight for the renomination of Vice President Henry Wallace.

Earlier, Pepper, Guffey and some of its other members, like Senators James E. Murray (D., Mont.) and Harley M. Kilgore (D., W. Va.), had followed a pretty consistent voting pattern, sometimes teaming up with other groups, as when they joined so-called B-2 H-2 Senators to strengthen the Connally resolution for permanent peace.

Numerically, they are not powerful in votes, as demonstrated when most of the six State Department nominees were overwhelmingly confirmed on the showdown. But

See PEPPER, Page 2, Column 3.

Snow Today To Pave Way For Drop to 15

Cold Wave Moving In On East; Minnesota Reports 25 Below

The weatherman doesn't promise a white Christmas, but he does predict occasional light snow today before a cold wave from the West engulfs Washington, bringing with it wind and temperature as low as 15 degrees early tomorrow. Light snow started falling around 7 p. m. in outlying sections of Northwest Washington.

While the District enjoyed a comfortable high of 47 yesterday, the shortest day of the year, the mercury dived to a chilly 15 below zero at Bemidji, Minn.

Subzero temperatures were recorded all through the Northwest and the cold wave was moving rapidly toward the Atlantic Coast, the Weather Bureau said.

Subnormal weather also extended southward, with a low of 27 in Florida. Los Angeles reported a 78-degree high.

SEC Rejects Bid On Transit Bonds

The Securities and Exchange Commission denied approval yesterday to the single bid for Capital Transit Co.'s $12,500,000 bond offering because it was "not sure that competitive conditions were maintained."

Likewise, the Public Utilities Commission withheld approval of the refunding issue.

An underwriting group of 24 firms headed by Alexander Brown & Sons, Baltimore, had offered 97½ per cent for the bonds and set 100 per cent as the public offering price. The company accepted the bid on Monday and the underwriters had planned to offer the new series A 4 per cent bonds Wednesday.

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Additional Gas Fails to End Shortage Here

Empty Pumps Prove At Variance With Ickes' Assurances

Bulletin

Senator Cab Co.'s 153 taxicabs have been ordered off D. C. streets until January 1 by the Office of Defense Transportation, Lieut. Joseph Harrington, hack inspector, announced last night, because the company has used up its gasoline allotment for the entire month. The District Office of Price Administration denied the company's request for an emergency allocation, Harrington said.

Additional supplies of gasoline to service stations in the District yesterday failed appreciably to relieve the local fuel shortage, it was learned last night.

As retailers opened for business yesterday they were greeted by long lines of cars awaiting gas, the drivers reassured of fuel by yesterday's published statement of the Petroleum Administrator for War's spokesman that there would be adequate stocks to meet demands.

Most were anxious over the impending invalidity of gas coupon A-13, which became useless at midnight last night.

Petroleum Administrator Harold L. Ickes' office was firm in its assertion that there was enough gas available here to meet demands. This, of course, was in the face of repeated protestations by retailers that they had no gas for sale.

Meanwhile, Dr. George C. Ruhland District health officer, announced that he had requested the District Commissioners to ask Congress for legislation by which local officials could be empowered to designate a number of gas stations to reserve gas supplies for the use of physicians on urgent calls.

Dr. Ruhland's letter to the Commissioners said:

"The necessity of supplying phy-

See GAS, Page 2, Column 2.

Fags Displayed in 'Gift Box'

Store's 'Tie-In' Cigarette Sale Halted by Outraged Citizens

Outraged citizens stopped a cigarette-selling "device" in a downtown drug store yesterday when they acclaimed a woman who took the law into her own hands and, over the protest of the saleslady, paid the regular price for two packages of cigarettes that were displayed in a gif box that sold for $1.35.

The box also contained a leather cigarette case of undetermined but obviously very low value.

A group of excited would-be cigarette purchasers had gathered in the store when a Post reporter entered and saw the unidentified woman "settle" the argument by grabbing two packages of a well-known brand out of one of the boxes on display on the counter. She had been told by the saleslady that no cigarettes were on sale except those in gift packages. A bigger box containing a carton of cigarettes and a wooden case was priced at $6, customers were told.

Obviously fearing a minor revolt, the salesgirl called over a superior, who took all "gift boxes" off the counter, proclaiming to all comers thereafter there were no cigarettes for sale. A Post reporter, however, saw at least 2 dozen of these large boxes on the shelves.

The salesgirl told him about half an hour after the incident that "some more gift boxes may be on sale tomorrow."

Contacted by The Post, the District Office of Price Administration was "stunned by such overt violation of price ceiling and tie-in sale regulations." The OPA will investigate the case, they said.

3 Area Men Dead, Father Of 4 Missing

Trio From Maryland Included Among 16 Reported as Wounded By War Department

Listed as missing in action, a District of Columbia soldier, father of four children, is among the 20 war casualties reported here yesterday. The casualties, of which all but two are from the European theater of action, include three dead and 16 wounded.

DEAD

Technical Sergt. Roger Moreland, 20, son of Mrs. Catherine Moreland, Hughesville, Md.

Pvt. Raymond Nalley, 24, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Nally, 4208 10th st. ne.

Pvt. Lemuel E. Garner, 19, son of Mrs. Elizabeth Garner of Bel Alton, Md.

MISSING

Pvt. Paul J. Stanley, 30, whose wife and children live at 1330 Emerson st. ne.

WOUNDED

Staff Sergt. Manley O. Smathers, 28, husband of Mrs. Evelyn M. Smathers, 30 Allegheny ave., Takoma Park.

Staff Sergt. Frank J. Varga, 29, whose wife, Dorothy, lives at 720 31st st. se.

Technical Sergt. Raleigh F. Colbert, jr., 24, whose parents live at 5101 45th st. nw.

Sergt. John S. Kirkley, 28, husband of Mrs. Doris M. Kirkley, 4123 River rd. nw.

Sergt. Enoch Nelson, 29, whose wife, Dorothy, and daughter, Rita Sue, 2, live at 2925 Nash pl. se.

Sergt. E. F. Trainor, 28, son of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene F. Trainor, 809 Emerson st. nw.

Sergt. Joseph W. Watts, son of Mrs. Jane W. Belcher, who formerly lived at 2303 1st st. nw.

Corpl. John T. Parker, 24, whose wife, Myrtle, and their two daughters live at 119 11th st. ne.

Corpl. Alvin W. Goldsmith, 19, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Goldsmith, 1220 Kennedy st. nw.

Pfc. Thomas E. Street, 27, whose wife, Judith, lives at 2736 Porter st. nw.

Pfc. Marvin B. Mollohan, son of Bernard Mollohan, whose address is given by the War Department as 309 F st. ne.

Pfc. Sigurds M. K. Ekis, 21, son of Mrs. Ludwigs Ekis, 1827 Ingleside terrace nw.

Pfc. Donald Robert Higgins, 21, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank H. Higgins, Rockville, Md.

Pvt. Eugene E. Bielaski, 31, whose wife, Florence, lives at 5002 56th ave., Hyattsville, Md.

Pvt. John W. Celphane, 30, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter C. Clephane, 6000 Connecticut ave. nw

Pvt. John H. Bladen, husband of Mrs. Nellie E. Bladen, who formerly lived at 4700 Baltimore ave., Hyattsville, Md.

N. Y. Phone Union Orders Strike Vote Among 12,000

New York, Dec. 21 (AP).—A strike vote among 12,000 New York Telephone Co. employes in the New York area was ordered today by their union's general executive committee.

The union, the Traffic Employes Association of the New York Telephone Co., (Ind.) has been involved in a wage dispute with the company for nearly a year.

Mrs. Marion L. Horn, committee chairman, said no date for the strike vote was set. The committee said it would "observe the Smith-Conally Act," providing for a 30-day "cooling off period," if the vote favored a strike.

Today's action followed announcement last night that more than half of the city's 6000 long distance operators had voted to strike in 30 days unless the War Labor Board approved a $5 general wage increase, the same increase sought by the traffic employes.

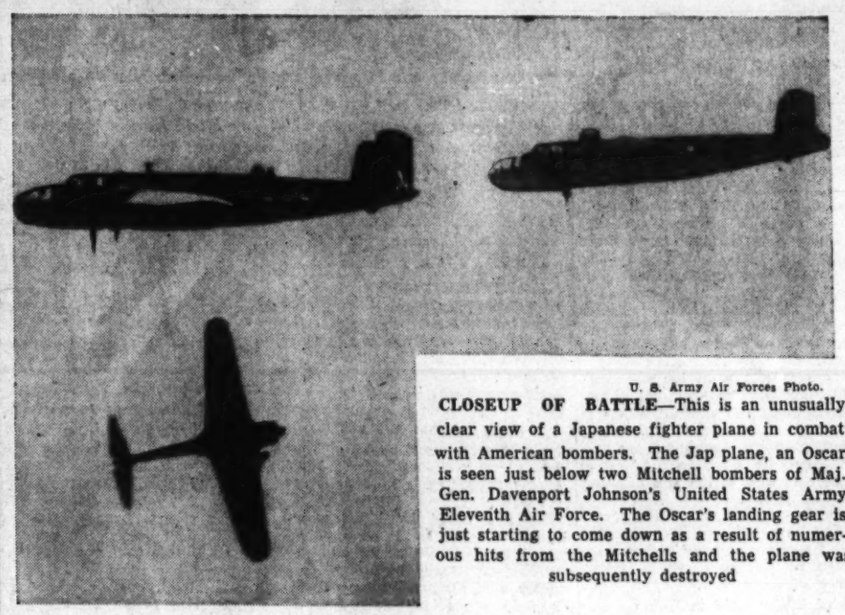
Weekly Casualty Report Omitted by Stimson

Secretary of War Stimson skipped at his news conference yesterday his usual weekly report on Army casualties.

He said he supposed that the casualty figures had not yet been received from th efronts.

It had been expected that this week's tally would include some reports on casualites in the opening of the winter offensive against Germany in November.

Jap Fighter Meets U. S. Bombers



U. S. Army Air Forces Photo.

CLOSEUP OF BATTLE—This is an unusually clear view of a Japanese fighter plane in combat with American bombers. The Jap plane, an Oscar, is seen just below two Mitchell bombers of Maj. Gen. Davenport Johnson's United States Army Eleventh Air Force. The Oscar's landing gear is just starting to come down as a result of numerous hits from the Mitchells and the plane was subsequently destroyed

British Tanks Shell ELAS North of Athens

Rocket-Firing Planes Also Attack Leftists As Ultimatum Expires

Would Consult U.S., Russia

PARLIAMENT member suggests Britain call in America and Russia to help settle the Grecian problem. Page 3.

Paratroops, Too

Athens, Dec. 21 (AP).—British tanks and rocket-firing fighter planes shelled and strafed ELAS concentrations north of Athens today upon expiration of the 9 a. m. ultimatum in which Lieut. Gen. Ronald M. Scobie warned the Greek leftists he would use every available weapon in an effort to restore order.

Sherman tanks climbed the high, monastery-topped Likabettus Mountain, their 75-mm guns shelling and scattering ELAS groups around Averof Prison and the military academy.

RAF fighters pin-pointed other troublesome positions, and at Omonia Square tank-supported parachute troops made a series of sorties.

A billet of the U. S. AAF Transport Command rocked with the concussion of shell blasts as the troops demolished a snipers' nest in the square, whose buildings are just behind the Cosmopolite Hotel quarters of the American airmen.

It was not immediately clear how much effect Scobie's warning had on the ELAS forces. Nor was there any further word of political developments toward a truce.

A communique said:

"Progress continued to be made clearing insurgent forces from Athens and Piraeus. Prisoners and weapons were captured.

"In the remainder of Greece the situation remains unchanged.

"The calling up of age groups by the Greek government decree for the national guard battalions of Athens is meeting an enthusiastic response."

Emergency Plea For Blood Donors Answered Quickly

An urgent appeal yesterday by the Red Cross for Type O blood to be sent overseas immediately was answered by hundreds of Government workers and other Washingtonians who jammed the Blood Donor Center, 51 Louisiana ave. nw., after 2 p. m. Secretary of the Treasury Morgenthau was among the donors.

Earlier in the day, until the radio appeals began at noon, the center was practically empty, said Mrs. Loretta J. Bickford, center director. Blood taken yesterday was shipped late last night to France.

Type O blood, in whole, not plasma form, is the most urgently needed, the Red Cross said, because it can be used in all persons.

Red Cross officials also announced that the center will be open on January 1, 1945, New Year's Day. Appointments for giving blood can be made by calling District 3300. All types of blood are needed for plasma.

Optimistic But Restrained

6 American Divisions Mauled Or Destroyed, Germans Claim

Failure of Enemy's Drive Will Shorten War, Stimson Says

By George Connery

Optimism and concern alternately were reflected by official and unofficial Washington sources yesterday as Germany's massive offensive rolled into the seventh day, its details largely hidden in secrecy for security reasons.

The important question was: How far have the German columns penetrated? And there was no definite answer, except an outline of where they were two days ago.

It was known, however, that American forces continued to slash at the German's flanks.

Since start of the drive last Saturday, Lieut. Gen. Courtney Hodges has had time to get his First Army reserves into position, one military expert said, and likewise General Eisenhower has had sufficient hours to reinforce the First from other armies if he considers this necessary.

Great Battle Indicated

Thus, the indication is that a battle in force is under way by now.

Secretary of War Henry L. Stimson at his news conference yesterday failed to clarify the battlefront situation, but he predicted that German failure here "will definitely shorten the war."

"Naturally," he said, "Allied countermeasures are under way, but in the fluid state of fighting, if I gave you detailed accounts of German activities it would inevitably throw light on our assessment of their current plans and capabilities. This, in turn, would throw light on our countermeasures. The success of our operations and the safety of our men depend upon a certain amount of restraint and patience at a moment when the stakes are high."

Stimson said it was apparent the Germans were making an all-out effort to halt our advance into the Cologne plain and the Saar basin. He added, "They appear to have

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Allied Reserves Wiped Out as They Are Rushed In, Broadcast Says

London, Dec. 21 (AP).—A German broadcast claimed today that four American Infantry divisions and two American tank divisions had been mauled or destroyed "mainly in very fierce fighting on the northern sector," and declared that Allied reserves being rushed into the area were being smashed by fast German tank formations and motorized infantry.

A German foreign office spokesman was quoted as observing that "the first phase of the German winter offensive now is gradually being superseded by a second, with coming battles of attrition between two enemy armies equipped with the best and most modern weapons."

The high command announced counterattacking Axis troops pouring into Belgium had cut the great Liege-Bastogne highway "on a broad front" nearly 30 miles west of the Reich frontier, and that a bag of 7000 American prisoners taken Wednesday had swelled the total to more than 20,000.

Enthusiasm Is Restrained

The German did not say where they had cut the highway, but British-Canadian correspondents said the Germans had reached Werbomont, on that highway 11 miles west of Stavelot and approximately 30 miles west of the German frontier. Werbomont is 18 miles south of Liege and 65 miles southeast of Brussels.

With restrained enthusiasm and cautious warnings of the danger of American flanking attacks on the big German salient, Berlin radio accounts said the Germans had torn a 62-mile-wide gap in the center of the Allied Western Front and that "through this breach German panzer assault wedges are streaming toward the Meuse" River, 35 miles west of the Liege-Bastogne highway.

The high command communique

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Objective—Vienna

Reds Unleash Great Offensive Aimed at Budapest, Nazis Say

London, Dec. 21 (AP).—The Germans announced today the Red army had launched a powerful offensive along a 40-mile front southwest of Budapest aimed at strangling the long-besieged Hungarian capital and breaking open the most direct invasion highway to Vienna.

Soviet troops broke through German lines at several points, Berlin admitted.

Moscow did not confirm the new drive, but announced Russian troops had pushed to within 14 miles east of Losonc (Lucenec), key central Slovakian rail and highway junction, capturing 30 localities, including the outpost junction towns of Rimaszombat and Feled (Rimavska Sobota and Feledince), 16 miles from the stronghold.

Other Soviet troops, cleaning the Germans from the Matra Bukk Mountains of northern Hungary, southeast of Losonc, captured more than 50 places and drove to within 1 and 10 miles of the Slovak frontier.

Berlin said the Russians were using 100,000 troops in the drive southwest of Budapest.

Ten rifle divisions of the Third Ukraine Army stormed into the attack, between Lake Balaton and the Danube and threatened the big junction city of Szekesfehervar, Berlin disclosed. The Russians are 6 or 7 miles east and southeast of Szekesfehervar, and are linked with elements of the Second Ukraine Army, which two weeks ago smashed across the Danube just southwest of Budapest's outskirts. Only a 35-mile arc remains

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Foe 32 Miles In Belgium; Reaches One AlliedLifeline

Yank Counterblows Hit Enemy Flanks; Hack One Trapped Armored Unit to Bits

Paris, Dec. 21 (A.P.).—The German winter offensive roared ahead unchecked today, one big drive smashing 32 miles through Belgium to within 18 miles of the fortress of Liege and a second swinging southwest three-fourths of the way across Luxembourg, to a point 48 miles from Sedan, on the French frontier.

The enemy had slashed to one Allied lifeline. Supreme Headquarters, reporting German advanced positions as of noon Tuesday, gave no hint that the drives had lost their momentum.

Only on the flanks had American counterblows begun to be felt. One narrowed by 9 miles the 55-mile-wide base of the deep wedges hammered into the two countries. Another trapped and was hacking to bits the major part of one armored division near Stavelot.

Fog still shrouded the front, keeping sorely-needed Allied air might aground, but the pea-soup weather was of no hindrance to the Germans' V-bombs, and the terrible weapons continued to rain down on Allied positions and rear base areas.

Only One Air Sortie Attempted

Only one sortie was attempted. RAF Lancasters blasted the German west front garrison and railway town of Trier, back of the Luxembourg front.

Slackening of the main German drives was interpreted in late dispatches as only pauses for regrouping and fresh blows, and uneasiness had spread among civilians all the way back to the Belgian capital.

The powerful northward drive, traveling 30 miles in 3½ days, reached the hamlet of Habiemont, 18 miles south of civilian-evacuated Liege, supreme headquarters said.

A report from British-Canadian headquarters declared a German armored column had reached Werbomont, about 2 miles farther west and astride the all-important lateral highway leading from Liege to Bastogne, 4 miles inside Belgium west of the Luxembourg frontier.

Germans Claim 20,000 Prisoners

The German communique, claiming a total bag of 20,000 prisoners, asserted this highway had been cut "on a broad front" in a push through the Ardennes Forest, and that American supply columns had been caught "and rolled over by German tanks." It claimed 136 American tanks were destroyed.

The broad Luxembourg push threatened to become as serious as the thrust across Belgium.

By Tuesday noon the Germans who entered Luxembourg near the northeast border town of Vianden had fought 12 miles west to a point just east of Wiltz and to near Clervaux, 7 miles to the northeast.

Wiltz is less than 48 miles northeast of Sedan, where a breakthrough in 1940 unhinged the Maginot Line, and is 10 miles west of the key road center of Bastogne.

Included in the German forces, numbering perhaps 150,000 men, were veterans of Normandy, who

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War Sidelights

Nazis Hunt Those Who Collaborated

London, Dec. 21 (U.P.).—A German broadcast indicated today the Nazis had formed an "avenger" corps to hunt down Germans who collaborate with the Allies, and that seven blacklisted men, at least, including the mayors of four American-occupied towns, had been assassinated.

Presumably the victims either were killed by murderers who penetrated the Allied lines, or were kidnaped to German-held territory for execution.

A railroad worker named Josef Maurer, said to have agreed to help an American engineering unit after the capture of Werselen, was found shot with a note attached to his coat reading "Avengers of German Honor."

"In the same manner, Economist Fritz Goebel of Aachenforst and Teacher Velten of Murzenich, as well as four mayors appointed by the Americans have been shot as traitors," Transocean continued.

Fascist Notable Killed

London, Dec. 21 (AP).—Giuseppe Tassinari, 53, former minister of agriculture under Mussolini and member of the Fascist Grand Council, was killed when an Allied plane strafed his automobile, the Berlin radio said today.

Starvation in Dalmatia

London, Dec. 21 (U.P.).—The free Yugoslav radio reported today that the vice president of the Yugoslav parliament, Franjo Gazi, said that approximately one in every hundred citizens of Dalmatia has died of starvation, a threat which is greater now than ever before.

RAF Blasts Trier Rail Hub In Heavy Fog

London, Dec. 21 (AP).—RAF Lancasters, equipped with night bombing instruments, probed through heavy fog over the Western Front today and poured an estimated 1800 tons of bombs on the German railway town of Trier, a main supply point supporting the German winter offensive.

United States fighters escorted 200 British heavyweights to Trier, 26 miles northeast of Luxembourg City. The Lancasters returned without loss.

United States Fortresses and Liberators—equipped for day bombing only—again were grounded by the murky weather which has stopped almost all air support for troops attempting to stem the German drive.

Italian-based United States heavy bombers hammered rail targets at Rosenheim, 35 miles southeast of Munich, rounding out seven straight days of blows at southern German communications.

These heavies also were forced to bomb by instrument through the cloud cover.

Thunderbolts raided the Bologna battle sector and the Brenner Pass, cutting the Brenner feeder line south to Verona at two places.

Hunt Fails to Find Men Who Radioed Atlantic Charter

By the Associated Press

A search of Navy records has failed to disclose the identities of radio men aboard the Cruiser Augusta who transmitted the Atlantic Charter from scribbled notes.

The Navy said that any of a considerable number of radio men normally assigned to a ship that size could have handled the notes which President Roosevelt has said never were placed in formal style during his historic meeting at sea with Prime Minister Churchill.

The Navy agreed too, with the British Admiralty, that some men who were aboard the cruiser at that time might since have become casualties on other assignments.

London dispatches said that even if the Admiralty determines that the three radio men who sent their copy from the British battleship Prince of Wales still are alive their identities must remain a top secret. The Prince of Wales was sunk by Japanese planes off Malaya three days after Pearl Harbor.

Dealers' Stove Supply Drops Under Rationing

The supply of most types of stoves in the names of dealers has declined sharply since rationing began last August 24, OPA reported yesterday.

The inventory of oil cooking stoves increased 29,000 from October, 1943, to November, 1944, but stocks of all other types declined. The increase in oil cooking stoves was described as "only a drop in the bucket" since the demand is still far ahead of wartime production.

When Lieut. Gen. Patton's iron fisted Third Army made its spectacular drive down the Normandy peninsula and later rolled into Paris, some of the ordnance tanks covered more than 600 miles in two weeks—an average of over 40 miles a day. One tank column roared forward 96 miles in 24 hours and another dashed more than 100 miles in 12 hours.

Two Superforts Lost In Week's Third Plane-Plant Blow

By the Associated Press

B-29 Superfortresses, fighting through "moderate to strong" air opposition, yesterday bombed a Japanese aircraft plant at Mukden, Manchuria—the third enemy airplane factory to be blasted this week.

In the air battle, two of the force of about 60 B-29's were lost and 33 enemy fighters were hit. B-29 crewmen reported on their return to China bases that 15 enemy planes certainly were destroyed, 7 probably destroyed and 11 others damaged.

A War Department communique reported the Superfortresses used visual bombing methods and "struck the target with good results."

"The weather was clear, but haze and smoke obscured part of the bombing results from the B-29 crews," it was added. "The enemy's antiaircraft fire was meager."

Japs Report Dairen Bombed

The Japanese radio reported that B-29's also bombed Dairen, principal port of the enemy's Manchurian puppet state, but there was no mention of this in the American communique. Radio Tokyo said three or four Saipan-based B-29's flew over Honshu, main Japanese island, Wednesday night and early yesterday but did "absolutely no damage." It also belatedly reported that Iwo Jima, Japanese base in the Volcano Islands 750 miles south of Tokyo, was bombed by about 15 Superfortresses on Wednesday, Japanese time.

No official information was available here on the size and nature of the Japanese aircraft plant at Mukden. The city itself has a population approaching three million and is an important steel center as well as the site of other war industries.

B-29's in a raid December 7 found the city strongly defended and bagged 63 enemy planes, shot down or damaged, while losing three of their own.

Third Major Raid in China

Yesterday's raid was the third major one by China-based B-29's this week. On Monday, they hit Hankow, China, principal port of supply for the Japanese forces in south-central China. On Tuesday, they bombed an aircraft plant at Omura, Japan. Saipan-based Superforts bombed still another Japanese aircraft factory at Nagoya, Japan, Monday in carrying out the general strategy of destroying Japanese airpower at its source.

An indication that the problem of getting gasoline in quantity to China bases has been pretty well solved was seen in the fact that the China-based B-29's are now able to carry out raids with such frequency. It was suggested also in a statement at Chungking by Maj. Gen. Robert B. McClure, United States chief of staff in the China theater, that the Americans hope to continue combined raids such as the joint attack on Hankow by B-29's and planes of the United States Fourteenth Air Force and the Chinese-American composite wing.

It was disclosed some time ago that a pipeline had been completed from bases in India to a point in northern Burma, thereby shortening the haul for planes which have flown gasoline into China. There has been no disclosure as to whether this pipeline has been extended.

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sicians on call to patients in need of urgent care does not seem to have been met. The situation seems to warrant the establishment of certain stations where doctors can be sure of receiving gas."

"If it is beyond the powers of the District Commissioners to take this action, I recommend that Congress be asked to legislate in order to make this arrangement possible," Dr. Ruhland asserted.

Long lines of cars were observed on Connecticut and Massachusetts aves. nw., service stations early yesterday morning. Most of the car owners quoted reports in Wednesday's newspapers announcing the release of more than a half-million gallons of gasoline in making their demands on service station operators for tank fillings.

STIMSON

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accepted the hazard involved in such an effort, which, if it fails, will definitely shorten the war."

Goes Back to World War I

Under questioning, the Secretary said this conclusion was not based upon facts in the current battle, but upon his observation of both World Wars. He cited 1918 German offensives that reached almost to the Chatnel ports, then collapsed like a hollow soell under the first Allied counter-offensive.

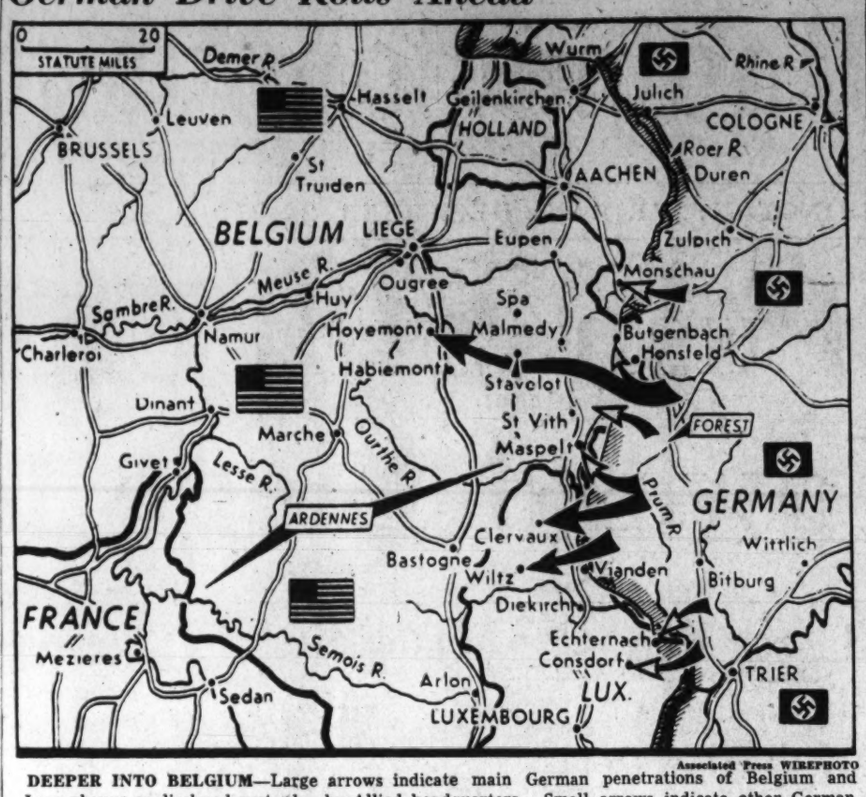
He referred to a coming Russian winter offensive as another menace to the Germans "wherever it may strike." This prospect, together with air attacks and the growing power of the Allied armies in western Europe, forced the Germans into an offensive decision, he believes.

Under these circumstances, Stimson declared, "the Nazi regime has not a great deal to lose and might gain a few months' extension of time before being called to an accounting."

Stained glass probably came from the Near East, home of the glass industry.

The island of Kythera, off the southern shore of Greece, is of volcanic origin.

German Drive Rolls Ahead



Associated Press WIREPHOTO

DEEPER INTO BELGIUM—Large arrows indicate main German penetrations of Belgium and Luxembourg as disclosed yesterday by Allied headquarters. Small arrows indicate other German drives. One major enemy thrust has carried to Hoyemont, south of Liege, cutting the Liege-Bastogne highway. Two others have taken the Germans to points near Clervaux and Wiltz, in Luxembourg. Yank counterattacks, however, had narrowed the corridor through which the Germans were advancing. Shaded line is front before German offensive

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West Coast war plants, Krug declared that he found worker morale "greatly improved since August and September."

There were no signs of complacency or shirking on the job," he said.

He disclosed that five top WPB vice chairmen would make a War Department sponsored trip to the fighting front to see conditions at first hand.

The five listed by Krug were Harold Boeschenstein for operations, William Y. Elliott for civilian reuirements, Maury Maverick, for smaller war plants, James Folger for field operations and Joseph Keenan for labor production.

4 Per Cent Rise Planned

The aircraft output rise—about 4 per cent—would bring total weight scheduled next year above the weight of planes produced this year, even though approximately 90,000 have been made in 1944.

The production expansion will permit the Navy to make greater use of fighter-type planes as dive-bombers, Krug said. Carriers can take more of these planes since they are smaller than the types customarily used, he said. Some new-type planes have also been put on the schedule, he said.

Meanwhile it was disclosed by WPB that 3000 aircraft workers are being released by the Wright Aeronautical Corp. at Locyland, Ohio, because machine tool components needed to make engines for the B-29 and B-32 superbombers have not been received on schedule.

The cutback—which was protested by the CIO United Automobile Workers—was not a result of any easing in the production picture, WPB officials emphasized. Instead, it indicated another tight spot, since needed plane engines will not be produced on schedule.

Approximately 400 workers have already been released with an additional 480 to go this week and another 200 to go next week. A total of 2000 to 2509 additional workers are scheduled to be released after January 1. WPB officials emphasized that every effort was being made to expedite delivery of the machine tools.

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they have picked up one new adherent as a result of the last election in Senator Warren G. Magnuson (D., Wash.), and they have their eyes on two others who will enter the Senate in January—Senator-elect Brien McMahon (D., Conn.) and Senator-elect Wayne B. Morse (R., Oreg.).

Senator Robert M. LaFollette, jr. (P., Wash.), the only former isolationist in their last fight as a group, may not join them in one of their upcoming battles—ratification of the peace treaty without any reservations on the power of the United States delegate—but on any liberal domestic issue they will have his vote too.

One Seventy-ninth Congress issue that will send them to the bat as a unit on the President's side is the recent White House bid for broadening of coverage and benefits under the Social Security system, one member said.

Allen Kramer

Funeral services for Allen Kramer, 22, of 3505 14th st. nw., a native Washingtonian, who died Wednesday at Emergency Hospital after an illnes of a year, will be held at 10 a. m. today at the Danzansky & Son funeral home, 3501 14th st. nw. Burial will be in Adas Israel Cemetery.

Mr. Kramer attended Central High School and worked as a civilian employe of the War Department Signal Corps. He was a member of Adas Israel Synagogue.

He leaves his mother, Mrs. Fannie Kramer; a sister, Miss Irene Kramer, and a brother, Carl Kramer, all of 3505 14th st. nw. Another sister, Mrs. Julius Symons, lives at 5415 1st st. nw.

Florida ranks fourth nationally in the total number of World War II discharged veterans with the war Manpower Commission. Through June of this year 8000 veterans have been placed in jobs. Of these, 6000 were veterans of the current conflict—one-third of whom were physically handicapped.

Woman Slayer Admits Killing His Former Mistress

Los Angeles, Dec. 21 (U.P.).—Motherly-looking Mrs. Louise Peete, 63-year-old housekeeper paroled after serving 18 years of a life sentence for the murder of a wealthy miner, tearfully admitted today she had buried in a shallow back-yard grave the body of the woman who befriended her after her release from prison.

"I'll admit I buried the body—that's all I have to say now," police quoted her as saying.

Her employer and benefactress, Mrs. Margaret Logan, 60, dropped from sight June 2, 1944.

Three days later, Mrs. Logan's husband, Arthur C. Logan, was committed to an insane asylum by a woman purporting to be his foster sister. He died two weeks ago in the asylum.

Said Husband Beat Her

Mrs. Peete previously had told neighbors Logan went beserk, attacked his wife and so disfigured her that she did not want to be seen in public.

Investigators said they would also reopen the case of Mrs. Emily Latham, parole officer, who died of a heart attack last year while Mrs. Peete was living with her as a housekeeepr.

Mrs. Logan's disappearance came 24 years to the day after Mrs. Peete killed Jacob C. Denton, wealthy mining executive, whose bory—shot through the head—was found sealed in a cellar tomb.

Police said Mrs. Peete admitted buyging the body, tentatively identied as that of Mrs. Logan, when sheriff's deputies took her to view it in the newly opened, 18-inch grave behind the house where she had lived with Mrs. Logan.

She was booked on suspicion of murder. Her husband, Lee Borden Judson, whom she married last May under the name of Lou Anna Lee, was held as a material witness.

Discovery of the body, nude but for a cloth wrapped about the head, climaxed a ninvestigation started when parole officers reported that signatures on monthly parole reports Mrs. Logan was required to submit for her employe appeared to have been forged.

Mrs. Logan, who helped obtain Mrs. Peete's parole, hired her a year ago as a housekeeper and as an assistant in her real estate business.

Old Acquaintance Linked to Death Of Marine's Wife

Lansdowne, Pa., Dec. 21 (AP).—A Butler, Pa., man is under investigation in the mysterious killing of Mrs. Loretta Cleveland, authorities disclosed today.

A person answering a description of the man, reported to have known Mrs. Cleveland when she lived in Butler, was seen near the victim's apartment shortly before her death, it was said.

Mrs. Cleveland's body was found Monday in the kitchen of her apartment. Her throat had been cut by a razor blade and she had been struck on the head with a hammer. A coroner's inquest reported she died of asphyxiation after her head had been placed in a stove.

Officers questioned Mrs. Cleveland's husband, Marine Staff Sergt. Oren E. Cleveland, following his return from Lebanon Tenn., where he visited his mother.

Cleveland's family disclosed at Lebanon that Mrs. Cleveland had feared for her life, but the Marine said his wife had no enemies.

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said American supply columns "moving off toward the Meuse were caught up and rolled over by German tanks."

"Freshly brought up American formations were split into individual groups without the enemy being able to hale our advance," it added.

Claim 136 U. S. Tanks Destroyed

In Wednesday's fighting the Germans said their troops destroyed 136 America ntanks and captured 43 tanks and armored vehicles and 50 guns.

Capt Ludwig Sertorius, Transocean News Agency correspondent, said "Enemy efforts to check the German advance in the Ardennes forest by means of rashly-flung-in motorized units has so far not resulted in establishment of a coherent front able to stop us."

Perhaps implying that the fortress city of Liege is one of the German objectives, Sertorious commented, "It is interesting to note that the Germa ncommunique only mentions London and Antwerp being subjected to our long range (V-2 rocket bombs) fire while on the previous day Liege also was on that list."

Sertorious said the Allies now were attempting to thrust against both flanks of the German penetration, from the Aachen area on the north and from northern Lorraine on the south.

Hints Push in the East Soon

DNB agency quoted a German military spokesman as saying Nazi forces had completely crossed the norther npart of Luxembourg, south of the Stavelot-Werbomont sector, and that "the fighting takes place mainly on Belgian soil."

The Nazi commentator Ernest von Hammer tboasted that the German army was in a position to match the Western Front offensive with a strong drive in the east.

"The German offensive in the west, launched by well-equipped forces so far held in reserve, has not the slightest influence on the fighting in the east," he stated in one Berlin broadcast.

"The German eastern armies are in position to come out with some surpries here as well. The Russian large-scale offensives have been reckoned with for the last few months and the necessary steps have been taken."

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to be closed around Budapest.

The Germans said the offensive was supported by "many bombers," adding that "bitter fighting is in progress." They also reported Russian pressure mounting northwest of Budapest between the big Danube bend and the southern frontier of invaded western Slovakia—another avenue of invasion toward Vienna, Austrian capital.

Below Budapest the Russians were reaching for the vital supply lines behind the Hungarian capital. The big immediate objective, Szekesfehervar, is 32 miles southwest of Budapest, and last big obstacle to Russian troops before the little Hungarian plain leading to Vienna.

Romanians Cross Frontier

One Nazi commentator said Russian formations also were preparing to cross Lake Balaton to the Tihany Peninsula in an effort to crush the Szekesfehervar garrison from the rear.

Other Soviet forces 125 miles northeast of Budapest smashed against the outer fortifications of Kassa, communications hub of eastern Slovakia. The Germans said the Russians repeatedly penetrated German lines south and northeast of Kassa.

Two-thirds of the southern border of Slovakia is now alive with invading Soviet troops. In addition to the swelling attack on Kassa, the Red army is only 26 miles east of Lucenec, another strategic Slovak communications point.

A Bucharest radio station said that Romanian troops had crossed the Slovak frontier to fight for the liberation of Czechoslovakia.

The Paris radio for the second day spoke of street fighting in Zagreb, German stronghold in Yugoslavia, mentioning the participation of Soviet troops as well as partisans under Marshal Tito.

Canadians Halt 13 Nazi Attacks In 9 Hours

Rome, Dec. 21 (AP).—Two crack Canadian regiments have thrown back 13 fierce German counterattacks within nine hours against their bridgehead across the Naviglio Canal, just north of Bagnacavallo and some 15 miles inland from the Adriatic coast, it was announced today.

The bridgehead forms the upper jaw of an Allied pincers which threatens to clamp shut on the enemy's entire Lamone River salient north of Faenza, and yesterday's tank-led Nazi attacks were of an almost desperate nature.

New Zealand troops contributed to the enemy's problem with a fresh onslaught which hammered a deep dent into the salient's southern flank.

The "Kiwis"—old specialists in night attacks—lashed out in darkness and cleared the Germans from the east bank of the Senio River to a point three miles north of the Bologna-Rimini highway.

The American Fifth Army front stretching from southeast of Bologna to the Italian west coast remained relatively quiet, though there were many patrol clashes.

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took a mauling at Caen and since had been regrouped and refitted.

Reports from the front said that some Germans, presumably English-speaking, had been caught in American uniforms—a violation of international law which subjects them to death before a firing suad.

More Paratroopers Dropped

More paratroopers were dropped well behind the American lines and were adding to the difficulties of American attempts to form up for the counterblows that must be dealt to check the German rush.

Fields crawled with German armor and roads were jammed with German transport, moving under cover of the fog on which the German command obviously relied when it mapped the surprise counteroffensive.

The Germans appeared to be throwing in everything in men and weapons. It is perhaps a battle to the death, but it is being fouhgt on the fields of the enemy's choosing.

For security reasons, supreme headuarters was giving the ground situation on the U. S. First Army front only once daily, with a 48-hour time lag.

On both flanks Ameri an resistance had stiffened, and Associated Press Correspondent Hal V. Boyle told of a battle to the death outside Stavelot with a traed German force of 60 tanks and 200 vehicles.

Yanks Destroy Bridge

A bridge across Ambleve River was blown down by American engineers to revent retreat or supply, and then, fighting through dense fog, the Americans turned their antitank guns on the trapped forces.

Thirty tanks were knocked out along with at least 50 vehicles, and Boyle said the survivors were "turning in churning circles of ruin." American artillery shattered an attempt today to come to the relief of this force.

Large German armored infnatry forces also were encircled by doughboys who climbed miles across the snow-topped forested ridges and knife dthruogh the enemy's exposed flank.

Reinforced elements of Lieut Gen. Courtney H. Hodges' First Army had stemmed the northward thrust and were holding along the northern flank on a line running through Malmedy and Stavelot.

Fierce ghting was raging for Malmedy, 5 miles northeast of Stavelot, but the doughboys still controlled the town.

Several Villages Retaken

On the extreme northern flank, American forces who rewon Morschau regained several nearby villages, including Rocherath, 9 miles to the southeast, which cut the base of the German bulge in Belgium and Luxembourg to 46 miles.

On the southern flank, 46 miles south of Monschau, American forces still held the Luxembourg border town of Echternach, and at last reports they no longer were surrounded.

A German thrust southwest of Echternach had made some progress beyond Consdorf, which is 14 miles northeast of the little duchy's capital.

A German pincer attack on American forces cut off at St. Vith, 10 miles southeast of Malmedy, had made little progress up to noon Tuesday.

A First Army staff officer said the American troops had fought magnificiently through the first six days of the German counter-offensive, had blocked one enemy thrust, stemmed another and had gained invaluable time in which to marshal forces against the deepest enemy penetrations.

7th Meets Increasing Resistance

On the Third Army front, the Americans, after nearly two weeks of brusing battle, drove the last German from the heavily-fortified city of Dillingen, in the wastern Saarland.

German resistance was rising, however, on the U. S. Seventh Army front to the east. The Americans were forced to withdraw from Nieder-Schletternbach, five miles northwest of Wissembourg, and from Bundenthal, a mile and a half east.

At the eastern end of the frond, the Americans were approaching Buchelberg, strongly-defended base in a clearing in Bien Wald Forest.

German resistance still was savage in southern Alsace, where the French were able to make only limited gains five miles northwest of Colmar.

Under England's Henry II, one penny every Tuesday was the iron ore miner's tax.

About 100,000 tons of steel ingots are required to build and equip a big battleship.

British sailors often call themselves "merry matelots."

Collapses at Trial

Joan Berry Admits Trying To Slay Self

Los Angeles, Dec. 21 (INS).—Hysterical under a savage cross-examination, Joan Berry collapsed late today in the arms of her attorney.

Miss Berry fell sobbing on the shoulder of grandfatherly Joseph Scott, after the State had pressed her on an asserted suicide threat.

Hollywood, Dec. 21 (U.P.).—Joan Berry tearfully admitted today she had swallowed iodine and sleeping tablets in a suicide attempt on last New Year's Eve, the night after Charlie Chaplin dropped her off at Beverly Hills police station when she told him she had no money and no place to go.

Los Angeles, Dec. 21 (AP).—Joan Berry, testifying in her suit to establish Charles Chaplin as the father of her child, denied today she had spent a day and a night with J. Paul Getty, in a Tulsa, Okla., hotel room and that she had slept in the Beverly Hills apartment of Hans Ruesch, a writer, "on many occaisons."

Except for one emotional outburst in which she wept copiously into a juror's handkerchief, the 24-year-old former drama student of Chaplin kept a firm grip on her composure.

In the Trial of last March, when Chaplin was acquitted of Mann Act charges involving her, A. J. Paul Getty, identified by newspaper clippings as a wealthy oil man, testified he was acquainted with Miss Berry and had seen her in Tulsa.

Chaplin's attorney, Charles E. Millikan, questioned the auburn-haired Miss Berry concerning her conversation in January, 1943, with Riley Stuart, a Tulsa policeman. Millikan asked:

"Didn't Stuart tell her she would get into serious trouble if certain checks (not identified) weren't cleared up; and didn't she ask if she could telephone to Getty in New York and didn't she add that she spent a day and a night with Getty in the Mayo Hotel in Tulsa; that Getty and his wife had gone on to New York, and that if she could reach him the checks would be taken care of?"

Details of Conversation Denied

"There was a conversation, but not as related. I didn't say I lived with Mr. Getty, or that I could reach him in New York, or that he could get the checks fixed up. I never mentioned Mr. Getty, but I knew his attorney, Mr. (Claude H.) Rosenstein."

Earlier, Miss Berry was questioned concerning her acquaintance with Hans Ruesch and Lionel Vasco Bonini, not identified in court.

Miss Berry sobbed, one hand over her face, after admitting a note purportedly written in Ruesch's apartment on the night of December 30-31 was in her handwriting. Later she said she didn't remember writing the note, pinned on the back of a Selective Service form from a New York draft board, signed "Mommy," and reading:

"Forgive me.o I cannot get him out of my system. I did care for you. If only Charles has provided means for me to live I would have wanted to know you better. Forgive me."

Tears Stream

Tears streamed from Miss Berry's eyes as she cried:

'Oh, please! It doesn't prove anything except that I was in love with Charles. It's not important and you know it. You're just bringing in other people——"

She dropped her head, fumbling for a handkerchief. One of the women jurors leaned forward and handed Miss Berry hers.

Miss Berry said she met Bonini about December 2, 1942, when she and Ruesch visited his home. She said she saw him at his apartment twice. On the night of December 30, she testified she rode around with Bonini after she had had "a slight tiff" with Ruesch. And finally went to Chaplin's house about midnight. Chaplin let her in—he was expecting her, she said.

"We sat down on the floor in front of the fire," said Miss Berry.

"You had an act of sexual intercourse then," asked Millikan.

"It was after this act that Chaplin gave the $25?"

Miss Berry drew herself upright and said: "That's right."

Millikan then propounded another involved question concerning the conversation January 8, assertedly between Miss Berry and O. C. Lassiter, assistant county attorney at Tulsa:

"Didn't Lassiter ask Miss Berry why she was there, and didn't she say she had 'gone overboard' for one of their oil men (not identified in court; that she had come to to Tulsa to be with him; that he was in love with her, too; that she met him in California and went to Florida with him in November, 1942; that he would marry her if he could get rid of his wife; that she spent two days and two nights with him in the Mayo Hotel."

Conversation Denied

Miss Berry replied:

"No such conversation took place. No part of it took place."

"Did you say in the presence of Chaplin's second man, Andrews: 'Look, I'm pregnant; you wouldn't think I was four months gone'?" her attorney, Joseph Scott, asked.

"No, sir; I didn't say that," she replied.

"Did Chaplin say 'Get out of my house?'"

"No, he didn't."

Under cross-examination Miss Berry related that she returned to Los Angeles from Tulsa about November 2, 1942, that she lived at the Beverly Hills Hotel for a week, and then went to the home of Elaine Barrie Barrymore (the late John Barrymore's former wife). She said she had seen Getty in Tulsa, and that he had arranged to pay bills amounting to about $800.

She testified she met Ruesch in November, 1943.

Well, isn't it a fact that you slept in Ruesch's apartment on many occasions?" Millikan asked.

"No, it is not a fact."

On the night of December 30-31, after Chaplin had let her out of his car at the Beverly Hills police station, Miss Berry went to Ruesch's apartment and stayed there until 8 a. m. This was the night when she thought she wrote the notes there, she said.

Chinese Warn Yanks to Blast Jap-Held Cities

Chungking, Dec. 21 (AP).—Chungking broadcast insistent appeals to Chinese civilians today to evacuate Japanese-held cities along the China coast and elsewhere in advance of impending major blows by the American Air Force.

Maj. Gen. Robert B. McClure, U. S. chief of staff in the China theater, announced American planes would bomb every Japanese-held supply port on the China mainland with "the maximum tonnage of bombs and the greatest number of planes which can be obtained."

Chinese civilians also were urged to quit immediately the principal cities of Manchuria and Formosa and to avoid travel on any Japanese-controlled train, ship or motor vehicle.

It is hoped, McClure said, to continue combined raids such as the the great attack on Hankow.

Chinese troops still are battering at the important railway town of Hochih, 95 miles west of Liuchow and 135 southeast of Kweiyang. Another Chinese force was said to have by-passed Hochih and reached the vicinity of Chinchengkiang, 15 miles farther east.

Japs Retreat Toward Mandalay

Calcutta, Dec. 21 (AP).—Remnants of three Japanese divisions fell back down the Myitkyina-Mandalay railway in Burma today, offering only slight opposition to pursuing British troops who occupied the rail town of Wuntho, 135 miles north of Mandalay.

The Japanese apparently were making a full withdrawal into southern Burma

To the east, near the China-Burma border, the Thirtieth Chinese Division in an encircling movement captured three villages about 30 miles north of Namhkan, where the Japanese are expected to make their last stand in defense of the old Burma road.

The Japanese defended the area furiously for more than a week, and an American observer highly praised the Chinese for their victory. Booty included 100 rifles, 15 machine guns and many carts of artillery ammunition. About 200 Japanese were killed.

Kensington Crowns Queen Of War Bonds

Nancy Leming, 15, Kensington Junior High School student, was crowned War Bond Queen last night at a rally sponsored by the school in connection with the Sixth War Loan drive in Montgomery County.

Miss Leming won the honor with 8300 votes representing purchases of war bonds and stamps. A $25 war bond entitled the student to cast 25 votes, and every dollar's worth of stamps equalled one vote.

The student boy subscribed for $21,650 worth of war bonds wheih, according to A. H. Stoner, principal, is 230 per cent above the quota set for the school.

Christmas carols were sung by a choir of 50 boys and girls under direction of Mrs. Adele Gosin. A highlight of the program, attended by 500 adults and youths, was presentation of a play, "Dust of the Road," directed by Mrs. Gertrude Gantz.

Parents Give Up 'Kill-Crazy' Youth Who Slew Cousin

Princeton, Ill., Dec. 21 (AP).—Norman Burton, 15, who cared for his sister's four small children while the parents worked in a shell-loading plant, hammered and slashed to death one of them, 5-year-old Sara Jane Tyne, Sheriff Frank Grissel said today.

The youth locked the victim's sister, May Lou, 7, in the basement, and pedaled away on a bicycle, spent the night in a park and appeared this morning at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Burton, who turned him over to the sheriff.

Grisell said the boy confessed, but when pressed for a motive "he just gave me a silly gren and said, 'I don't know."

A note found near the child's body said:

"I am kill crazy. Don't try to catch me, for you'll never take me alive."

President Signs Clerk Rise Bill

President Roosevelt yesterday approved legislation providing larger clerk hire allotments for members of Congress.

Representatives' allotments are boosted from $6500 to $9500 a year. Senators from States having a population of four million or more will be allowed an additional $5040 a year, Senators from States with population of less than four million will get an extra $4020.

Extra costs for the first six months of 1945 were estimated at $699,630 for the House features of the bill and $260,000 for the Senate provisions.

Briton Hints Wish For Aid in Greece

Interallied Action May Be Necessary, Lord Samuel Says

London, Dec. 21 (AP).—The chance that Britain may ask American-Russian aid in settling Greek political woes arose today along with a demand in Commons that the British government "invite" King George of Greece to remain here until his erstwhile subjects decide whether to take him back into the fold.

Lord Samuel told the House of Lords Britain probably would have to resort to some sort of "inter-allied action" to settle the Greek situation. He contended "there is no reason why Great Britain should be called upon to bear this burden alone."

Mutiny by Tommies Feared

The assertion came after Lord Faringdon, sharply assailing Britain's armed intervention, cautioned that "mutiny" may arise among British Tommies detailed to quell civil strife in Greece.

His contention, plus a claim that the British terms for peace in Greece were conditions of "surrender" rather than of armistice, drew a stern rebuke from Lord Samuel and cries of "monstrous" from his colleagues in the usually sedate and placid chamber.

In Commons, Tom Driberg, an independent, unsuccessfully sought government assurances that King George be asked "to state publicly that he has no intention of returning to Greece until after the question of monarchy has been settled by a free plebiscite." He contended that such a plebiscite "might be prejudiced" by the King's "premature" return.

Holiday Truce Rejected

Deputy Prime Minister Clement R. Attlee refused, however, to go beyond yesterday's statement by Foreign Secretary Eden that the King had been advised to stay in London.

The suggestion also was advanced that the British arrange a week's Christmas truce in the Greek fighting, drawing from Eden a quick quip: "Our object is not to stop it for a week, but to obtain a final solution of this business."

Creation of a United Nations commission to supervise elections in liberated lands was advocated by one member, but Attlee said he could see "no advantage of a general commission."

No 'Stepchild'

Infantry Gets 'Best of Men,' Lear Claims

By Elton C. Fay
Associated Press Staff Writer

Take it from Lieut. Gen. Ban Lear, the infantry today is well past its stepchild days and now is getting not only the most but the best of manpower. A new "profile system" of assigning draftees is credited.

The Army, seeming to meet changing conditions as the war swells into the full offensive stage, several months ago put aside the original system of supplying ground forces with men almost entirely on a numerical basis.

Under this system, a quota wwas fixed for ground forces—chiefly infantry—and whatever men were left after Air Forces had made its draft on the pool was available for other branches.

Infantry Gets Preference

The new system classifies men both on their physical condition and mental coordination, a "profile" of their general adaptabilities.

"A high percentage of the top "profiles" go into the ground forces today—most of them into the Infantry," Lear said. "The reason is that under the principle of first things first it was necessary to place the Air Forces into operation ahead of the large masses of men on the ground who must fight for the final decision. Now that it has arrived at that stage,the final phase force—the Infantry—is getting the preference.

The general recalls that in 1942, when the mission of the ground forces was defensive, the manpower allocation was almost completely reversed.

System Changed

Until recently the over-all objective of the ground forces command in this country was to train and organize Infantry by units of divisions. Now the call for replacements grows with each battle abroad.

Today the doughboy gets his basic Infantry skills at a replacement training center here, then goes overseas. To weld the replacement soldier into the front-line organization, the Army has adopted a "buddy" system. A veteran takes over tutelage and escorts the replacement into combat, imparting by word and example the art of killing a German or Japanese.

One in Eight Yanks Desires Own Business

One out of every eight soldiers at home and abroad wants to operate a little business or farm after he leaves the Army, a War Department survey showed yesterday.

Under the "GI Bill of Rights," veterans may borrow up to $4000 to obtain a farm or business with the Government guaranteeing half of the loan.

Brig. Gen. Frank T. Hines, veterans administrator, yesterday announced regulations for guaranteeing loans up to $2000 for World War II veterans who want to set up their own small businesses.

Forms to Be Ready Soon

No loan will be guaranteed under the GI Bill of Rights, Hines said at a press conference, unless the projected business has "a reasonable likelihood of success."

He said the Reconstruction Finance Corp. and the Smaller War Plants Corp. will aid the Veterans Administration in processing loan guarantees.

Hines said loan application forms would be ready in 10 days or two weeks. They will be available at Veterans Administration officers and will be distributed to "recognized" lending institutions.

90 Days Service a Condition

Veterans eligible for loan guarantees are those who entered the armed forces after September 16, 1940 and, after at least 90 days of service, were honorably discharged.

Business loans will be guaranteed for purchase of buildings, property, supplies, equipment, machinery and tools normally used in the business selected by the veteran. There are no provisions, however, for guaranteeing loans for inventory, stock or working capital.

For example, Hines said, a man could get a loan guarantee for buying pumps to run a gas station, but he would have to arrange credit with the oil company to buy the gas he would sell.

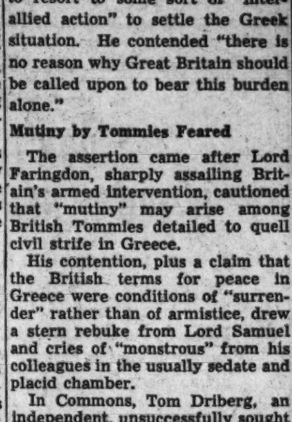
'Work as Usual' Features Stalin's 65th Birthday

Moscow, Dec. 21 (U.P.).—Today, the sixty-fifth birthday of Premier Marshal Josef Stalin, passed unnoticed and unmentioned by the Soviet press.

Stalin was expected to spend the day at his office in the Kremlin, working as usual. Old friends were expected to drop in at his modest four-room apartment to toast his health in vodka and the red wine of Stalin's native Georgia.

Stalin, from a mountaineer family noted for its longevity, has borne the life of an underground revolutionary struggle and of years of leadership of the Soviet state remarkably well.

He is in good health, looks vigorous and alert, has a healthy appetite and enjoys a good joke. He has an extraordinary capacity for work, but the strin of war years is beginning to tell.



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TODAY—ST. JOHN'S GOSPEL, CHAPTER I

A Selection

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God.

All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made.

In him was life; and the life was the light of men. And the light shineth in darkness; and the darkness comprehended it not.

There was a man sent from God whose name was John. The same came for a witness, to bear witness of the Light, that all men through him might believe. He was not that Light, but was sent to bear witness of that Light.

That was the true Light, which lighteth every man that cometh into the world. He was in the world, and the world was made by him, and the world knew him not. He came unto his own, and his own received him not.

But as many as received him, to them gave He power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name: which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God.

And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us (and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father), full of grace and truth.

TOMORROW—REVELATION 22

Yanks Plod Through the Snow

U. S. Signal Corp Photo.

MOVING UP TO FRONT—Infantrymen of the First United States Army silently move though the snow-covered Krinkelter woods in Belgium on their way to make contact with the enemy

Alexandria At Saturation In Apartments

Alexandria has reached the saturation point in apartment building, particularly in the northwest section of the city, and no further apartment construction with the exception of rounding out existing developments should be authorized, according to recommendations of the Alexandria City Planning Commission.

Headed by the chairman, Leroy E. Peabody, the commission with Philip B. Hall, civil engineer, and E. S. Holland, jr., surveyor, as consultants, has developed a master zoning plan for improving the city as a residential community. The report will be given a public hearing by the city council late in January when reasons for the proposed changes will be outlined and the council will decide whether or not to accept tre recommendations.

Would Reserve 700 Acres

Completion of C-2 zoning for apartments in sections near schools where no other type of building is recommended, and development of approximately 00 family units on 40 acres of ground in a section between Parkfairfax and Presidential Gardens on Mount Vernon ave., Glebe rd., and Four Mile Run because of its proximity to shopping and proposed park facilities is advised in the report.

As a result, approximately 700 acres in the northwest area would be reserved for the new A-1 residential classification which would have more residential attractions and advantages than the pdesent A zoning. Certain portions of Jefferson Park which do not conform to the proposed A-1, and the Chinquapin Village naval torpedo plant workers' housing project which the commission asks to hgave removed after the war are excepted in the new restricted residential zone outlined by the commission.

proposed for limited building of apartments are proposed for C-1, or row house zoning. The report advises no further row house building in northwest Alexandria beyond rounding out an existing C-1 development and a few scattered changes to C-1.

Education Costs Stressed

The commission, in agrement with City Manager Budwesky, that the cost of educating children of row house occupants is almost always higher than the revenue realized from taxes on the property, and that Alexandria now has as much row houseing as it considered economic.

Recommending an increase in the area zoned for two-family houses, the commission points out that some of the large old homes have outgrown their usefulnes with the decrease in the size of the average family, and that owners can best kepe them in condition if they are converted into two family homes.

In addition, the present trend of requests for rezoning to B-classification, follows that of the post-war period in 1919. As explained by the commission, an uncertain financial future of the families of men in service makes it expedient for them to live with their families.

For them, the two-family house makes for greater privacy while keeping down expenses. Also, it has been found that some residents as well as converting large houses to that use, are planning to build new homes to house a family on each floor.

The commission has designated for rezoning to B the area bounded by Russell rd. and Mount Vernon ave. from Linden st. to the Mount Vernon School, which is now zoned A or B residential in some parts and C-1 and C-2 in others.

CHINA CONFERENCE — Gen. Joseph W. Stilwell (right) stands with Generalissimo and Madame Chiang Kai Shek after a conference in Burma. Months later Stilwell was recalled amid rumors of disagreement between him and Chiang, and Donald Nelson went to China to boost the nation's war effort.

Check From Mrs. Roosevelt Assures Family Yule Feast

Blonde little Clyde Culver, 9, gripping a parcel of toys at the big Christmas tree at Salvation Army headquarters yesterday, grasped the hand of the first lady of the land, bowed, and wished her "Marry Christmas."

For the moment he was the man of the family. Dad was at work, driving a truck, and Mom, Charles, 2; Russell, 3 months, and Agnes, 7, who would like roller skates for Christmas, were in his charge at the big party where the Salvation Army makes sure that little girls and boys will know there is a Santa Claus.

Dad, Clyde, sr., of 705 6th st. nw., supports his family with a paycheck of $25 a week, but that doesn't leave any change for extras.

Family Given Check

Mrs. Roosevelt present the parcel and also a check which will buy a special Christmas feast for the Culvers.

Earlier she told the party of 300 needy families that although we cannot be merry in this year of war, "Christmas is something we can carry in our hearts."

Mrs. Roosevelt was presented with red roses by a Salvation Army lassie in behalf of the army's young peoplei n memory of "our sons in service and as a token of our love and appreciation."

Briton Special Guest

In turn, Mrs. Roosevelt presented an ebony baton to Lieut. Charles Brendler of the Navy Band as token of the Salvation Army's appreciation of the music he and the Navy Orchestra offer each year at the service.

Special guest was Wing Commander R. A. O'onnell, leader of the Royal Air Force, now visiting in Washington, who had helped train Salvation Army bands in England.

Other Christmas festivities yesterday included a children's Community Center party at Hearst Playhouse and a bird party for 300 members of junior Audubon clubs in the istrict, held at Roosevelt High by the Audubon Society. Iimitations of bird songs by Spar Juanita McComb were a special feature.

Trade Favors Health Survey

Board of Trade public health committee yesterday favored the health survey proposed by the recently organized Washington Metropolitan Health Council. The results of this survey will determine what the health facilities of the District and ve adjoining counties are, what facilities are needed and what can be done.

Dr. Herbert P. Ramsey, chairman of the health council, presented the plans to the committee At the meeting was Howard Storey, executive secretary of the health advisory committee of the United States Chamber of Commerce.

Sponsored by the Council of Social Agencies' health division, the health council was organized on Monday and has 27 members.

Mail Carrier Held For Grand Jury In Postal Theft

David C. Perry, 31, Negro mail carrier of 1403 57th ave. ne., was held yesterday for action of the grand jury after he pleaded not guilty before United States Commissioner Needham C. Turnage to charges of intercepting five C gasoline coupons addressed to a motorist on his route.

Postal inspectors said the five coupons were found in Perry's billfold when the Bennings Branch carrier was arrested in his home December 13. They also said 400 undelivered first-class letters were found in the trunk of his car. Perry has been a carrier for 10 years.

Porter Sworn In For Recess Term

Paul Porter, Democratic national committee publicity chief during the fall campaign, took the oath under a recess appointment yesterday as chairman of the Federal communications commission.

The White House said Porter was given the temporary appointment so he could have the benefit of the experience pending resubmission of his formal nomination to the new Congress convening next month. The Senate in the Congress just adjourned failed to act on the original nomination. The post formerly was held by James t 2 etao inshrdlu etaoin shrdlu Lawrence Fly, who resigned.

Typhus Reported Spreadin

London, Dec. 21 (AP).—Underground sources in German-occupied Holland have informed the Netherlands government here that a typhus epidemic has broken out in Amsterdam and is spreading rapidly the official Netherlands News Agency said today.

'FORTRESS EUROPE' BESIEGED—An Allied armada lies off the coast of Normandy as landing boats disgorge trucks and tanks shortly after the June 6 invasion of Eurone. This was the start of Gen. Eisenhower's campaign to free France.

De Gaulle Sees U. S. Heading Peace Setup

Paris, Dec. 21 (AP).—France is determined to help form a world peace organization in which she expects the United States to take the leading role, Gen. Charles de Gaulle told the consultative assembly today at the conclusion of debate on the new 20-year French-Soviet alliance.

The assembly approved the pact, which now is ready for ratification by the cabinet.

"France cannot conceive a victory without a world security orwith London," de Gaulle said. "A ganization nor without an alliance real international organization is necessary and in this organization who could be first in rank if not the United States, whose efforts in the western theater and in the Pacific are enormous?"

Intends to Guard Rhine

Earlier Foreign Minister Georges Bidault said France intends to help mount guard on the Rhine after the war to keep the Rhineland and Ruhr industries out of German hands. He also declared the French nation intends to help Poland expand westward into Silesia and East Prussia.

The minister, who signed the pact for France, said the Russians and French had agreed to territorial revisions in both the east and the west.

Support Russian Claims

"We agreed to the acquisition by Poland of East Prussia and Silesia," he said. "This concession corresponds in our way of thinking to territories in which Poland would be persuaded to abandon."

This apparently was a reference to Russia's proposed acquisition of former Polish territory up to the Curzon Line. The French promised to support the Russian case for the old Curzon Line, according to reports received here.

Bidault said the Rhineland question was for all the Allies to work out within the European Advisory Commission, but "it is certain it will be our forces and those of other liberated countries which will stand watch on the Rhine."

Work for Reconstruction

"The industries of the Ruhr Valley," he said, "will no longer work for the Prussian war machine, but first of all for reconstruction of the damages oaused by Germany."

He did not specify whether France wanted these industries under French or international supervision. He implied Russia would support the French claim to sovereignty over, or occupation of, the left bank of the Rhine. The French reprotedly desire to establish a separate state under French protection embracing roughly both banks of the Rhine.

OPA Enforcing Price Control On Yule Toys

The Office of Price Administration and Santa Claus are working together this Christmas in an effort to keep prices of toys within reach of families with moderate incomes, Bernard C. Goodwin, director of the Roanoke Office of Price Administration, supervising northern Virginia, declared yesterday.

OPA early this year established maximum prices for many new Christmas toys and enforcement staffs have been instructed to give as much attention as possible to sales to prevent widespread overcharges, he pointed out.

Enforcement in the Alexandria-Arlington and Fairfax region is carried out by a staff from the Warrenton OPA field office. Consumers are asked to report suspected overcharges to their War Price and Rationing Boards.

Used toys, as well as new toys are covered by OPA maximum prices which require that they be sold at no more than three-fourths of the original cost if in good workable condition, Goodwin explained.

Bond Chairman Forecasts Success in Arlington Drive

Arlington County wil go over the top in the Sixth War Loan Drive before the end of December, according to a prediction made yesterday by William E. Robey, campaign chairman.

Bond sales during the drive which have been reported so far to the Federal Reserve Bank in Richmond give the county a total of $1,201,984.50 toward its $1,655,000 goal, but Robey believes that sales already made but as yet unreported will easily bring that total up to $1,400,000.

Sales of individual type bonds have lagged behind in the drive, Robey said, although over-all sales assure the county of meeting its quota in this drive, as it has in the five preceding campaigns. Quota for individual bond sales is $1,255,000, it was pointed out.

Christmas Deliveries

The Arlington postoffice will deliver Christmas packages on Christmas day, if any such gift parcels remain in the postoffice, according to an announcement by Postmaster C. F. Simpson.

Mail and parcel post deliveries will be made on Sunday, in an effort to clear up all Christmas parcels, it was said. The county's six classified stations will be open every night before Christmas until 8 o'clock in order to facilitate mailings.. Simpson pointed out that Christmas cards should be mailed immediately if they are to be delivered before the holidays.

Police Club Active

Appointment of a six-man executive committee of the Arlington Auxiliary Police Club, to serve for 1945, was announced yesterday by Charles A. Birch, club president.

Named were W. W. Millan, Sol Cohen, A. C. Kirby, W. A. Wright, H. S. Sommers and W. J. Corder.

Blood Gifts Urged

Arlingtonians were urged yesterday to "start the New Year off right" by giving a pint of blood at the extra mobile unit session to be held in the Clarendon First Baptist Church on January 2.

Request for the extra session was made to the Arlington Red Cross Blood Donor Service because of the great need for plasma, according to E. L. Usilton, donor service chairman.

"When we are told the full picture of the erman attack which now is driving our fighting men back in Europe, the casualty lists will be very long," Usilton pointed out. "Blood plasma is saving thousands of lives daily in the sanguinary struggle. The supply must be replenished. We here at home must resolve that no man shall die on the battlefield for lack of that greatest of all life-savers, blood plasma," he said. Blood donors may make appointments by calling Oxford 3010.

Seal Drive Gains

The Arlington Tuberculosis Association has raised almost $16,000 of its $28,000 quota in the drive to carry on tuberculosis control in Arlington County, it was learned yesterday.

The association will send out Christmas seal "reminder" cards this week. It was pointed out by Miss Lois M. Jund, executive secretary of the association, that the "need of an increased budget for tuberculosis control work is becoming ever more urgent in our county due to the greatly expanded population. The problem is not only the problem of the 'old resi dents' of Arlington but of everyone residing here, even if only temporarily."

Teen-Age Club Holiday Events Are Scheduled

A holiday schedule of games, tournaments and other recreation features will begin this evening with "date night" at the new Drop-in Center for the Alexandria Teen-Age Club in the converted locker room of the Alexandria municipal swimming pool, Cameron and Harvard sts.

Afternoon hours for every day except Christmas when the club will be closed for the first time since its opening November 5, are from 2 to 5:30, with four evening programs from 7:30 to 11 p. m. Tournaments in the daytime begin promptly at 3 p. m.

Events are scheduled as follows: Saturday afternoon, ping pong tournament; Sunday afternoon, singing of carols; Tuesday afternoon and evening, checker tournament; Wednesday afternoon, pin ball tournament; Thursday afternoon, Chinese checker tournament; Friday afternoon and evening, December 29, da rttournament; Sunday afternoon, December 31, shuffle board tournament; Monday, January 1, open in the afternoon and evening for gatherings.

Regular hours following the holidays will be resumed by the canteen Tuesday, January 2, with weekday hours Monday through Friday fro m4 to 5:30 p. m. On Friday nights after high school athletic events the canteen is a gathering place for teen-agers.

All Escape Army Ship

Headquarters, Alaskan Department, Dec. 21 (AP).—Authorities said today no lives were lost when a storm forced abandonment of an army ship of 3700 tons off Cold Bay, Alaska, December 15. Efforts to salvage the vessel are being made.

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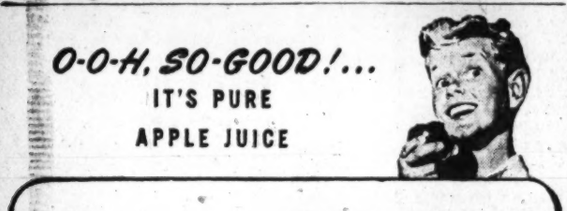
3 Rabid Foxes Found; Area Is Quarantined

Baltimore, Dec. 21 (AP).—Health and livestock authorities imposed a dog quarantine today upon a large section of north central Baltimore County in the vicinity of Cockeysville after discovery of three rabid foxes in the area.

Col. McCormick Weds Mrs. Maryland Hooper

Chicago, Dec. 21 (AP).—Mrs. Maryland Mathison Hooper of Chicago, and Col. Robert R. McCormick, editor and publisher of the Chicago Tribune, were married today in a quiet ceremony performed in the apartment of Chauncey McCormick, cousin of the bridegroom.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Congressmen Balk at Ceiling On Live Cattle

By Christine Sadler

Congressmen from livestock States will meet with OPA and War Food Administration representatives today in an effort to forestall plans for a price ceiling on live cattle.

Senator Joseph C. O'Mahoney (D., Wyo.), who initiated the conference, termed such ceilings unworkable because "it is impossible to grade a beef animal before it is killed and dressed."

Meantime, Price Administrator Chester Bowles told a group of New York meat retailers OPA is convinced the price ceiling is necessary and assured them there is no possibility of his agency granting an increase in retail ceilings.

Threaten to Close Shops

The New York dealers, who threaten to close their shops because of inability to obtain meat at prices which enable them to sell under present retail ceilings, were said to agree an increase at retail would be but a stop-gap solution to their problem as long "as there is no control over price of the live animal."

OPA has urged livestock ceilings for more than a year, but WFA—backed by Western cattle growers—has insisted they could not be made to work. Meantime prices of cattle on the hoof have gone up, with more and more beef finding its way into black markets.

The Office of Economic Stabilization, asked to settle the dispute, is expected to side with OPA and to rearrange its meat subsidy schedule accordingly. OPA wants some system of cattle allocation instituted along with ceilings, to make for a more equitable distribution among packers and dealers. WFA objects to this more strenuously than to ceilings.

Senator O'Mahoney said ceilings would induce producers to liquidate their herds before animals reach the proper meat stage and that consequently fewer "finished" animals would reach the market.

Under the plan being considered, a variety of prices would be possible—to enable packers to buy animals of different grades and finishes—but prices for a month could not average more than the set ceiling. The Government subsidy put into effect when meat prices were rolled back at retail more than a year ago would be paid on a sliding scale basis to help equalize the costs.

Presumably the subsidy would be increased, for it is generally agreed many grades of beef cannot be sold at legal retail prices today when current market prices are paid for live animals and there seems to be no inclination to roll livestock prices back to the point where the retail ceilings would be "feasible".

As the Army takes more and more meat, the position of the small slaughterer becomes more unprofitable, it is pointed out, for the Army pays only ceiling pieces and the slaughterer has less leeway to make up the loss in specialty meats. A Washington slaughterer, for instance, can make a profit on kosher meats, but not on Army orders. One of the large Chicago packing houses is suing to collect $1,000,000 allegedly lost on Army orders.

Montgomery Plans Officers' Clubhouse

A movement by the War Recreation and Hospitality Services of Montgomery County, Inc., to provide a clubhouse where officers may meet for recreational and social activities, was announced yesterday by George N. Mathews, president of the War Recreation Services.

Biggest problem yet to be solved is securing of a suitable dwelling or building large enough to house the activities of the club and at the same time easily accessible, Mathews pointed out. He appointed Judge Albert E. Brault, R. E. Lee Goff and Mrs. Virginia Sholar as a committee to investigate available properties.

Methods of financing the project will be determined by a committee composed of Mrs. Louise Morell, vice president, and Jo V. Morgan.

Mathews pointed out that numerous requests have been received during the year for such a club. In addition to the several hundred officers stationed at the U. S. Merical Center and at the U. S. Public Health Service, both located on the Rockville Pike, there are many officers living in the county who would be eligible for membership, he said.

Mathews also announced that a central registration desk where home owners may list rooms available to married servicemen assigned to the county has been set up in the Bethesda USO Club on Old Georgetown rd.

Emphasizing the need for rooms, particularly those with kitchen privileges, Mathews said that approximately 200 such requests are being recived a month. He urged all citizens of the county with available rooms to call Mrs. Lewis Dixon, who is in charge of the center. Part of the demand for rooms comes from relatives visiting servicemen who are patients at the Naval Hospital, Mathews said.

Penner Kidnaping Suspects Seized

Paterson, N. J., Dec. 21 (AP).—Police today were holding two men on open complaints in connection with the alleged kidnaping and robbery of Mrs. Eleanor Penner, widow of Comedian Joe Penner, and they said a $10,000 diamond ring stolen from the woman has been recovered.

Mrs. Penner said yesterday she was kidnaped December 9 by five men in an automobile and robbed of the ring and a bracelet insured for $10,000 after a tour of taverns with three other men.

Hail, American!

Associated Press WIREPHOTO

UKRAINIAN GIRLS SHOW THEIR HAPPINESS—Lieut. J. B. Keeley of Houston, Tex., is carried on the shoulders of a group of Ukrainian girls celebrating their liberation by American troops of the Sixth Army from forced labor in a German factory in Schirmeck. The girls were brought by the Germans from the Ukraine

The Gallup Poll

Public Blames Black Market, Hoarding for Fag Shortage

Princeton, N. J., Dec. 21.—With the cigarette and tobacco shortage reaching such a crisis that the Senate War Investigating Committee recently conducted an inquiry, a national survey of smoking habits reveals these pertinent facts:

More than half of the adult civilian population of this country, 52 per cent, smoke tobacco, mostly cigarettes, while 48 per cent do not. The figures exclude men in the armed forces. The ratio of smokers would be considerably increased with the latter included—to say nothing of youngsters practicing surreptitiously on stogie butts out behind the barn.

75 Per cent of Men Smoke

There is still a big potential market for cigarettes among American women. Nearly two-thirds of all adult women interviewed in the survey do not smoke at all. Among civilian men the number who have never taken up the habit, or have sworn off, is only about one in four.

Farms and small towns show the lowest proportion of smokers per thousand population, big cities the highest. This may be because tobacco shops are more accessible in cities, or it may be that there is more nervous tension in city life to induce smoking. It is significant that more white-collar workers smoke cigarettes than any other single occupational group.

The younger generation in America has been made heavily cigarette conscious. Fifty-five per cent of civilian adults aged 20 to 29 smoke the weed, as compared to only 25 per cent among people 50 and over.

Black Market Blamed

While many reasons have been advanced to explain the current cigarette shortage, the biggest single reason in the opinion of the public is black market and hoarding.

The survey on smoking led off with this question:

"Do you smoke cigarettes (a pipe, cigars) or don't you smoke at all?"

The percentage of smokers nationally and by groups follows. It must be remembered that the cross-section studied did not include servicemen, nor civilians under 21 years of age. The figures total more than 100 per cent, because some people smoke tobacco in more than one form.

	Cigarette	Pipe	Cigars	Don't Smoke
National	41%	10%	6%	48%
Men	48	22	12	29
Women	36	..	..	64
Age 20-29	55	4	2	42
30-49	49	10	5	42
50 and over	25	14	8	58
New England and Middle Atlantic	46	7	6	44
East Central	39	11	7	49
West Central	33	14	4	52
South	38	13	2	47
Far West	43	7	5	50
Farmers	31	17	7	51
Professional and Business	41	9	6	49
White Collar	47	5	5	46
Laborers (all skills)	44	9	6	45
Towns under 10,000	36	11	6	52
10,000-100,000	46	7	5	45
100,000 and over	48	7	5	43

When respondents were asked what they thought was the main reason for the cigarette shortage, the following were given in this order: hoarding and black market, more cigarettes are going abroad, people are smoking more, shortage of labor and materials to make cigarettes, poor planning and distribution.

'Silent Transport' In Moscow Uses Induction Motor

Moscow, Dec. 21 (AP).—Tass announced today invention of a new noiseless transport operating on a high frequency current without a trolley, rails or storage batteries.

Ons such vehicle has operated successfully for a year in a Moscow machine factory, pulling a one-ton load along a roadwal underlaid with his frequency wires, the news agency said.

(From this description it appeared the vehicle was equipped with some kind of an induction motor.)

"The high frequency vehicles are fed by a current emitted from wires laid underground," Tass said. "By means of a pickup frame, an electrical motor mounted on the vehicle takes in the current, which is converted through an ordinary rectifying radio bulb from alternating into direct current."

Air Line Agent Stresses Speed of Planes After War

Expansion of domestic air traffic to five times its peak of 1941 is expected within five years after the war, George A. Fuller, United Air Lines traffic representative, told the Junior Board of Commerce yesterday.

Illustrating his talk on "The Age of Flight" with a technicolor slide film, Fuller said equally improved employment opportunities will be abailable in the industry. He explained the various types of new planes that will enable the airlines to cut flight time considerably, bringing the West Coast within overnight distance of Washington.

The Rev. E. Roy Feldt, minister o fthe Unity Assembly, addressed the Christmas luncheon and members united in a silent prayer for the men and women in the armed forces.

Bird Asks 'How's Tricks?'

Chicago (U.P.).—Stepping to the porch of his home, Sergt. Thomas Ryan, a Chicago policeman, was stopped cold when a bird that looked like a crow greeted him with "How's tricks?" That's Sergt. Ryan's story at any rate.

Bolivian Envoy to Make 1st Capital Speech Today

Senor Victor Andrade, former Foreign Minister of Bolivia, today at 8:30 p. m. will make his first speech in Washington since his appointment as Bolivian Ambassador to the United States November 1. He will speak in the Department of Labor auditorium in a "Pan American Night" program of the Club de las Americas.

Ambassador Andrade, an accomplished pianist, will speak on "The Influence of the Landscape on Bolivian Art."

Film on Phone Courtesy

Chicago (U.P.).—A sound movie on better telephone manners was shown recently to groups of Kansas City, Mo., city employes. The film was shown by the personnel department in cooperation with the telephone company, the Civil Service Assembly reports. The project is part of the city's program to improve service to the public and to create the most favorable impression toward the city hall and its employes.

D-Day Prayer Roosevelt Gift To Employes

By the Associated Press

A scroll of President Roosevelt's D-Day prayer for victory over the "unholy forces of our enemy" was his Christmas gift yesterday to White House employes.

More than 300 executive office employes, guards and servants were given their presents early, so President and Mrs. Roosevelt might enjoy their own Yuletide uietly with their only daughter and a few grandchildren. None of the four uniformed sons will be at the presidential fireside.

As workmen began putting in place the wreaths, mistletoe and poinsettias, for the holiday decorations, the President and First Lady received first more than 2500 members of the office staff.

Each Greeted Personally

Besides a handshake and oral greeting, each received a 21-by-14-inch scroll, engrade in black, gold, red and blue letters, that began "D-Day prayer of President Franklin D. Roosevelt from the White House, June 6, 1944," and ended "Christmas, 1944—from FDR."

Each employe also was given a Christmas card with a picture of the White House on it and the following: "With Christmas greetings and our best wishes for a happier Nineteen Forty-Five. The President and Mrs. Roosevelt."

Later in the day members of the White House police force, chauffeurs, cooks, maids and other employes of the living quarters were similarly greeted in the big mirrored East Room. A huge tree trimmed with white streamers, white lights and imitation snow was the immediate magnet for their children. Toys and candy were piled high beneath its branches.

5 Grandchildren Are Guests

Guests for the family dinner Christmas Eve—followed by the presidential reading of Dickens' Christmas Carol—and for stocking hunting the following morning will be:

The Roosevelt's only daughter, Mrs. John Boettiger, and her three children, Eleanor, Curtis and Johnny; and Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, jr., and her children, Franklin D. 3d and Christopher.

The customary community Christmas tree exercises will be held in the south grounds, beginning at 4:15 p. m. Sunday. The public is invited to watch the lightning of a hug live Norway spruce.

At 5:15, the President will broadcast a Christmas message to this group, the Nation, and the armed forces all over the world.

Need a Volcano? One Is for Sale

Mexico City, Dec. 21 (U.P.).—Want to buy a volcano—cheap? Dionisio Pulido, the only man in the world ever to awon a volcano, wants to sell it. Pulido, on those farme the Paricutin volance sprung up in February, 1942, is now picking organes at Puente, San Gabriel Valley, Calif. He wrote to the newspaper Excelsior here: "Of course I am proud to be the only volcano owner in the world, but I can't farm on it and farmings is the only thing I can do."

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Chevy Chase Club Fills Gift Stockings At Hospital

Carols echoed while Christmas at Suburban Hospital, Bethesda, stocking were filled for children Md., last night by members of the Junior Women's Club of Chevy Chase at its Christmas meeting held in the clubhouse.

Aiding the rehabilitation of servicemen was adopted as the club's project for the year following suggestions by Miss Alice Hirsch.

A one-act play "The Christmas Indian Suit" was presented by the drama section under the leadership of Nancy Hongell. The cast included Becky Dunlop, Nancy Hongell, Jeanette Dulin, Ursula Myers, Irene Dulin, Audrey Proctor, Betty Doyle, Doris Long, Peggy Neale, Dorothy Hamilton and Mary Margaret Leslie.

'No Coal, No Nudes,' Say Paris Models

Paris, Dec. 21 (U.P.).—The acute fuel shortage in Paris has brought modesty to the Latin quarter, famous center for nudist art. Models who were formerly willing to pose unadorned now refuse to strip because of the polar temperature in most studios. "No coal, no nudes," they say.

Pablo Piccasso, modernist painter, refused a gift of fuel from the government unless similar dispensations would be made for his fellow artists.

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Englishwoman Gives Yule Trees To Yank Sailors

A United States Navy Base in England, Dec. 21 (AP).—Each one of a hundred American LSTs in this harbor was brightened tonight by a Christmas tree, complete with all the trimmings, donated by a grateful Englishwoman.

It's Mrs. E. R. Barrows' way of saying "thank you" to the Fred Fitzgeralds of 1 Pendleton pl., Lexington, Va. They have provided a home for her grandchildren, Nigel, 11, and Jennifer, 9, since the aerial battle of London. Mrs. Barrows' estate has an abundance of Christmas trees.

"My grandchildren write glowing tales every week of the splendid hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. Fitzgerald and their neighbors," said Mrs. Barrows, "and I just couldn't resist this year to repay the Americans in some way for their kindness."

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Six Stadium Commissioners Are Named

Six of the nine members of the official commission charged with developing plans for Washington's proposed national memorial stadium were appointed yesterday a few hours after the White House announced that President Roosevelt had signed a bill authorizing its creation.

The remaining three members, all of whom will be selected from the membership of the House, will not be named until January when the new Congress convenes.

The three Senate members, appointed by Vice President Henry A. Wallace are Senators Theodore G. Bilbo (D., Miss.), James M. Mead (D., N. Y.), and Harold H. Burton (R., Ohio). Bilbo is chairman of the Senate District Committee, and Burton is one of the committee's most active members. Mead is a high ranking member of the civil service and appropriations committees.

Appointed by the Commissioners were Floyd D. Akers, chairman of the national stadium committee which directed the campaign for a stadium as a postwar project; Robert V. Fleming, president of Riggs National Bank, and Commissioner John Russell Young.

3 House Members Proposed

The three House members recommended for appointment are Jennings Randolph (D., W. Va.), chairman of the District Committee; Fritz G. Lanham (D., Tex.), head of the Public Buildings and Grounds Committee, and Karl Stefan (R., Nebr.), ranking minority member of the subcommittee which handles the annual District appropriation bills.

Organization of the commission will be delayed until the three House members are appointed. The nine members will elect a chairman, and that post is expected to go to Senator Bilbo who sponsored the legislation creating the commission.

The commission's job will be to consider a site for the stadium and recommend to Congress a plan for financing it on a self-liquidating basis. The members will serve without compensation, but an appropriation of $25,000 is authorized to pay the expenses of the commission.

4 Other Measures Signed

In addition to the stadium bill the President signed four other District measures which:

1. Give the health department authority to inspect and enforce its sanitary regulations in cafeteries in government buildings.

2. Reorganize the District Boxing Commission and put its two civilian members on the District pay roll at a salary of $2400 a year each, retroactive to last July 1. The third member, a representative of the Metropolitan police department, will receive no additional compensation.

3. Increase the powers of the Commissioners so they can relieve Congress of such minor administrative functions as naming streets and authorizing construction of underground pipe lines.

4. Exempt from garnishment salaries of less than $100 a month. Pay of workers in private industry in excess of $50 a month is now subject to garnishment.

George B. Ostmann

Requiem mass for George B. Ostmann, 50, of 4314 New Hampshire ave. nw., who died Tuesday at Garfield Hospital, will be said at 10 a. m. in St. Gabriel's Church, Grant circle nw. Burial will be in St. Mary's Cemetery.

A Washingtonian, Mr. Ostmann formerly operated a meat stand at the old Center Market and the Northern Market Co., Seventh and O sts. nw.

He was a member of the Knights of Columbus, Elks, Windthorst Club, and the Holy Name Society of St. Gabriel's Church.

Survivors include a brother, Francis A. Ostmann, 2935 Tilden st. nw., and two sisters, Mrs. J. C. Kraft, 4314 New Hampshire ave. nw., and Mrs. M. P. Bazzuro, St. Petersburg, Fla.

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A MIRROR? WHAT DO WE FELLOWS NEED A MIRROR FOR?
OH, DON'T BE SUCH A SHNOOK, YOU BIG APPLE!
YOU WANT US TO LOOK BEAUTIFUL, DON'T YOU?

Generous Residents Assure 105 Orphans Flood of Toys

It will be a very Merry Christmas for the 105 youngsters at St. Ann's Infant Asylum, 2300 K st. nw., thanks to Washingtonians who generously responded to a plea for toys Wednesday by The Post and Station WINX.

The youngsters, all five years and under, are due for an exciting Christmas morning when they open gaily wrapped packages containing dolls, blocks, doll clothes, doll dishes, and games. Sister Mary Louise, Sister Superior at the orphanage, said each child is assured of at least one present.

Immediately after the WINX broadcast from St. Ann's Wednesday, Washington residents started telephoning the asylum, The Post and the station, and mailing their gifts and checks.

Fifty gifts, including a red wagon and red tricycle, were received at the home yesterday afternoon from students of Eliot Junior High School. Jerry Strong, who portrayed Santa in the broadcast, will continue his role of buying toys for the children with checks received.

John W. Minton

Funeral services for John W. Minton, 68, of 112 Abbey pl. ne., chief timekeeper of the Southern Railway's Alexandria office, who died Monday at Sibley Hospital after an illness of several weeks, will be held at 1 p. m. today at Hanlon's funeral home, 641 H st. ne. Burial will be in Cedar Hill Cemetery.

An employe of the railroad for 53 years, Mr. Minton was born and reared in Alexandria. He began as office boy and for many years was chief clerk to the master mechanic.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Mary Minton; one son, John W. Minton, jr.; a daughter, Mrs. Cecil Auston, both of Franconia, Va., and two sisters, Mrs. Claudia Smith of Alexandria and Mrs. Blanche E. Davis of Washington.

16 D. C. Men to Report For Active Duty Today

Sixteen Washington men will report today for active duty. They are:

Willia mA. Cullers, Harry E. Davis, Maurice Finnegan, Elmer L. Gibbons, William J. Jenkins, Dobald C. Purdy, Arphelius A. Gatling, Robert A. Gordon, Willie L. Johnson, David F. Smith, Thomas E. Tribble, Robert H. Ward and Samuel T. White.

D. C. E Bond Sales Now 76.3% of Quota

Sale of Series E bonds in the District have reached $22,900,000, or 76.3 per cent of the $30,000,000 quota, it was announced yesterday as this type of bond climbed steadily toward the goal despite formal closing of the Sixth War Loan drive.

From a
Wine Cookbook

To give your holiday turkey its full traditional splendor, roast it with wine as we suggest here

Wine-Basted Turkey

When roasting, baste the turkey with warm table wine mixed with oil or margarine—about ¾ cup wine to ¼ cup oil. Use a California Burgundy or Claret, or Sauterne or Rhine Wine, according to your preference.

When you serve the turkey, serve glasses of the same wine at the table. You'll enjoy the taste harmony that adds to the savory good eating. The Burgundy or Claret is served at room temperature . . . Sauterne or Rhine Wine, well-chilled.

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For entertaining serve small glasses of Sherry, Port or Muscatel . . . a friendly welcome when folks drop in to visit . . . always nice with fruit cake or cookies in the evening.

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THE MEAT SITUATION

DECEMBER, 1944

The meat supply for civilians has improved slightly this month; but, even so, you may not always be able to get the quantity, quality, kind and cut you desire.

The reason is: tremendous quantities are going, sometimes on short notice, to feed our G.I. Joes, our G.I. Janes and our fighting allies.

Nobody would change that, and military demands for meat are expected to continue heavy.

According to 1944 estimates based on U. S. Department of Agriculture figures, livestock producers and meat packers will have provided the all-time world's record total of more than 25 billion pounds of meat this year. (Compared with 18,412,000,000 pounds, 1934-1943 average.)

More than 30 per cent of the meat produced in 1944 has gone to our fighters and allies—most of it beef and pork.

The government requires the setting aside of 60 per cent of the top four grades of beef which meet Army style specifications.

The government is also taking 80 per cent of the extremely lean cuts of beef ordinarily used for sausage and canned meats, and anywhere from 37 to 78 per cent of the many popular cuts of pork.

The answer for the housewife is to learn available cuts which she may never have tried before, and to cooperate with her meat-man in using the meats which he has from day to day.

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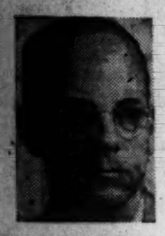
The Federal Diary

By Jerry Kluttz

GAO Recovers Millions On Army-Navy Contracts

DIARY NOTES: The General Accounting Office will have plenty to talk about when it asks Congress for a large appropriation. It can point to the fact that it has recovered many millions of dollars in overpayments by the Army and Navy to cost - plus contractors and to railroads for freight rates. GAO has a staff of 600 to check on freight rates alone. The freight bill this year will run around four billion dollars. The Government was run on that amount when FDR first took office. . . . Senator Hattie Caraway may get a job in the Agriculture Department when her term expires next month . . . FCC's Foreign Broadcast Intelligence Service has set up a station on Kauai, one of the Hawaiian Islands . . . A survey at the War Department shows that it will not reduce its number of employes here after the war in Europe.



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COFFEE-TASTING, that's the job of Mark L. McMahon and David E. Fromm, employes in the Office of the Quartermaster General. But to be a good taster you must also be a good sniffer and slurper as tasting is only a part of the job. The OQMG supplies tons of coffee to fighting men the world over and it must be good coffee. McMahon and Fromm see to that, and it is done in this way. In their offices down on Buzzards Point, a sample is taken from a pack and ground in their presence. Boiling water is poured over it in a 6-ounce china cup. McMahon and Fromm then sniff to judge its aroma. If it is bad, no other tests are made. One or the other—usually both—can tell if the coffee is good by the smell. Also, where it was grown. The OQMG buys coffee from 20 parts of the world.

The next step is slurping—something neither McMahon nor Fromm can do at home. A teaspoonful is taken from the cup, held about an inch from the mouth, and sucked in with a loud noise, a slurp. This process sprays the coffee inside the mouth and it is easier to get the true taste. None of the coffee is swallowed, but it is expectorated into an especially designed receptacle. Both men agree that boiling ruins coffee; that the best coffee is made by drip. Tasting is but a minor job of these two experts. Their job is to buy, roast, pack, store, distribute and ship coffee to our fighting men the world over. Each had his coffee business in New York before the war. And what would you guess McMahon and Fromm have each morning for breakfast—a hot cup of coffee, of course. But coffee-tasting has its drawbacks—a taster can't drink liquor.

The War Department is working up its own legislative program to cover its employes, and it will be presented to Congress. In brief, the program will call for pay raises for white-collar workers, and it will urge equal treatment for all employes. . . . Seventeen gold stars are now in the service flag at Civil Service. Evert Kenneth Carter of Mails and Files is the most recent casualty. He was killed on Leyte. Joe Fried, another employe, was wounded recently in Italy. . . . Kenneth Hampton, chief of the OPA price panel, has resigned to reenter private business. . . . Most Federal agencies will hold Christmas parties either this afternoon or tomorrow. Employes will be released early tomorrow.

VETERANS will be given a break in getting permanent civil service jobs. The President yesterday issued an executive order which will prevent many thousands of employes from being given permanent status. The order "froze" them in temporary status. These were the employes who were appointed to temporary jobs before March 16, 1942, and who, under ordinary conditions, could have claimed permanent status when their names came up on Civil Service registers. Now they won't get it. They will be kept in a duration status and after the war the jobs will be thrown open to competitive exams in which the veterans will be given preference. No permanent appointments have been made since March 16, 1942. All have been either temporary or for the duration and six months thereafter.

Civil Service requested the order. It was pointed out that it would throw a heavy burden on the commission to trace the records of the many thousands of employes who would be eligible for a permanent status under the old rules. Moreover, it seems likely that the change will be made permanent . . . that hereafter permanent status will be given only when the employe is taken from a register when his name appears in regular order. In the flurry to hire pepole after Pearl Harbor, thousands were put on the payroll who either were on no register or else they were well down on the list. Moreover, many weren't given jobs for which they had passed civil service exams. However, they did take exams later on, and those who passed fully expected to get permanent status. Now they won't.

Court Upholds Poultry Firm's $50,000 Fine

Richmond, Va., Dec. 21 (AP).—An appeal from a $50,000 fine imposed on the Acme Poultry Corp. of Maryland on a charge of violating OPA ceiling prices was denied today by the Fourth United States Circuit Court of Appeals, which affirmed action of the Federal District Court at Baltimore.

The poultry corporation and its president, Lewis Spatz, were indicted in three cases in the Federal Court of selling poultry above ceiling price, and of conspiracy.

In November, 1943, both defendants pleaded guilty to all charges and each was fined $25,000 in the case involving violation and $10,000 in each of the conspiracy cases, for a total of $45,0000 for each defendant. The court was requested to reduce the fine on the individual defendant by $30,000, and to increase it on the corporation by a corresponding amount. The court acceded to this request.

In making the reallocation, a fine of $5000 was entered against the individual defendant in each case, and he paid the $15,000. The corporate defendant had its fine increased to $50,000 in the price violation charge and had the fine in one of the conspiracy cases increased to $15,000, and has not yet paid the $75,000 imposed upon it.

The increased fine in the conspiracy case was reduced to $10,000, as being the legal limit, but any further relief was denied and the corporate defendant appealed on the ground that the lower court has been without power to increase the original fine during the reallocation.

Wounded GI's Fit and Make Own Braces, Casts At Special Orthopedic Shop in Baker Hospital

SELF-HELP—Private Wayne Anderson of Ludlow, Pa., is fitted with back bracer belt by T-5 Charles Miller of Paterson, N. J., while Pfc. William Prince of Irvington, N. J., learns how at Army hospital in Martinsburg, W. Va.

Martinsburg, W. Va., Dec. 21 (Spl.)—Mother always said, "To do a job correctly, learn to do it yourself." With this old saying, the Army heartily agrees in the manufacture of braces, belts, and casts for the wounded and convalescent patients of Newton D. Baker General Hospital near Martinsburg, W. Va.

Calling on the best medical minds, the Army Medical Corps invented miracle time-saving types of apparatus which reduced the patients' enforced discomforts in bed, and successfully combined the correct braces and traction enabling the wounded to walk and participate in activities designed to maintain a high spirit. All these advances have been put into use at the Newton D. Baker General Hospital by Col. E. L. Cook, commanding officer.

A complete orthopedic laboratory manned by GI's working diligently at their specialization is maintained here. Patients in wheelchairs are measured for leg and arm braces, while other veterans, requiring neck, shoulder, or arm brace alterations are interviewed by specialists who have the doctor's diagnosis before them.

Formerly purchasing their braces from surgical houses prior to the demand created by the war, the Army has set about teaching the men how to make and set up well equipped orthopedic workshops.

Every day there arrive at the Baker General Hospital quantities of canvas, elastic, and webbing for belts. In addition, flat strips of steel, aluminum sheets, and leather hide for braces are received. The department has become skilled in the manufacture of special shoes and soles for the type of footgear not found on the market.

'Mile of Dimes' Organizes for Va. Campaign

Richmond, Va., Dec. 21 (AP).—Thomas A. Scott, Richmond dairy president, was named today as director of the 1945 "mile of dimes" campaign for funds to fight infantile paralysis.

He succeeds G. Jeter Jones, who last year led the State drive to a record total.

Announcement of Scott's appointment was made by Basil O'Connor, president of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis.

Assisting the new director in the winter drive for funds, scheduled for January 14 to 28, will be W. Ludwell Baldwin of Norfolk. Mrs. John Garland Pollard will act as State adviser on women's activities, and Barron Howard and E. S. Whitlock will serve as radio consultants.

An advisory committee named to assist in rolling up the "mile of dimes" includes: P. Winfrey Fore, Culpeper; Gen. E. E. Goodwin, Emporia; C. O'Conor Goolrick, Fredericksburg; Mrs. George Sloan, Warrenton; Brig. Gen. James A. Anderson, State Highway Commissioner; the Most Rev. Peter L. Ireton, coadjutor bishop of Richmond; Richard S. Wright, Woodstock.

In announcing his campaign appointments, Scott said:

"We have just been through the worst epidemic of infantile paralysis ever experienced in Virginia, with more more than 750 cases to date. Caring for this epidemic has been enormously expensive, but as far as we know every single victim of the disease in Virginia has been given hospitalization and nursing care. Virginia chapters of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis have spent nearly $50,000 this year—and every one of those dollars represents 10 dimes contributed in some previous "mile of dimes" campaign. In addition, the National Foundation has already spent more than $130,000 in Virginia, and expenses will continue for many months."

While no quota was set, Scott said he is hopeful of raising "at least $300,000" in Virginia.

Leo Moore to Oppose White For Md. House Speakership

Baltimore, Dec. 21 (AP).—The first intraparty contest for an important post at the 1945 General Assembly shaped up today with the disclosure by Delegate Leo M. Moore (D., Harford) that he would be a candidate for the House speakership in opposition to Delegate John S. White (D., Prince George's), who held the position at last spring's special session.

Moore, publisher of the weekly Harford Democrat at Havre de Grace, Md., and a member of the House since 1935, told the Associated Press he was "very much" in the running and that his prospects "look very good to me."

Tried Twice Before

He had tried for the speakership twice previously, at the 1943 regular session and at the 1944 special session.

Last spring, he said, he stepped out in favor of White on Governor O'Conor's plea for "party harmony," but with the understanding that he would try again in 1945.

White, reached at his law office in Hyattsville, said, "I have been given the assurance of party leaders all over the State that they will support me."

He added that he had further been given to understand that the Governor, who only indirectly influences choice of General Assembly leaders in preassembly caucuses, would "stand pat" on the alignment that played important roles at the special session.

This would mean the return of Senator James J. Lindsay (D., Baltimore County) to the Senate presidency; White to the speakership of the House and Senator John B. Funk (D., Frederick) and Delegate John C. Luber (D., Baltimore 5th) to the floor leaderships of the Democratic Party in the Senate and House respectively.

The Democrats, being the majority party, regularly name their own members to both the Senate presidency and the speakership of the House. White has been in the House since 1935.

The Senate president at the 1943 session was Arthur H. Brice of Kent County, who is now a member of the Public Service Commission. The speaker of the House was Thomas E. Conlon of Baltimore, who died last year shortly after having been installed president of the Baltimore City council.

Moore, a member of the Legislature council and at the 1943 session chairman of the House judiciary committee, said he expected the bulk of his support to come from the Eastern Shore and the north central section of Maryland.

The Republican floor leaders, who so far have drawn no announced opposition for reelection, were Senator Wilmer Fell Davis, Caroline County, and Delegate J. Milton Dick, Allegany County.

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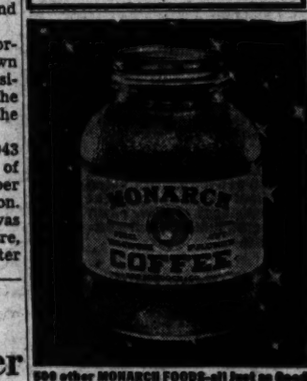

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If backache and leg pains are making you miserable, don't just complain and do nothing about them. Nature may be warning you that your kidneys need attention.
The kidneys are Nature's chief way of taking excess acids and poisonous waste out of the blood. They help most people pass about 3 pints a day.
If the 15 miles of kidney tubes and filters don't work well, poisonous waste matter stays in the blood. These poisons may start nagging backaches, rheumatic pains, leg pains, loss of pep and energy, getting up nights, swelling, puffiness under the eyes, headaches and dizziness. Frequent or scanty passages with smarting and burning sometimes shows there is something wrong with your kidneys or bladder.
Don't wait! Ask your druggist for Doan's Pills, used successfully by millions for over 40 years. They give happy relief and will help the 15 miles of kidney tubes flush out poisonous waste from the blood. Get Doan's Pills.

Yuletide time Yuletide treat!
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Greeks Make Bread Of Ground Acorns, Va. Officer Writes

Winchester, Va., Dec. 21 (AP).—Col. Daniel E. Wright, Frederick County native now with the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration in Greece, has written his wife that the country people of Greece are using ground-up acorns and locust pods for bread, as they did in World War I.

He pointed out that the Grecian people have always made wide use of wild plants as salads. "However, the use of these products could relieve the want in only a small way."

Transportation is a major problem, he said.

Colonel Wright wrote: "Athens is a cold and dreary place, where courageous citizens are putting forth a brave effort to regain a more normal life. As usual, the Germans had looted the city thoroughly. The available food and clothing and all metal articles, including water faucets, pipes and pumps, were shipped out of the city. In the area of the burned villages the people found refuge in caves whenever possible."

Va. Hero Receives Posthumous Medal

Technical Sergt. William T. Lemon, Infantry, of Purcellville, Va., has been awarded the Silver Star Medal posthumously, the War Department announced yesterday. The medal was presented to his father, Walter L. Lemon of Purcellville.

The citation accompanying the award read:

"In Normandy, France, on June 17, 1944, while his unit was advancing, he, with utter disregard for his own safety, led his platoon over a hedgerow in order to keep the attack moving forward.

"In so doing he continually exposed himself to enemy fire and it was through his efforts that the platoon was inspired to continue the advance and capture the objective. Though he was killed in this action, the courage and leadership displayed by him reflect great credit upon himself and the military service."

Md. Farmers Urged To Sell Clover Seed

Because of the heavy demand for legume and grass seeds for domestic use and for lend-lease shipment to Allied countries, Maryland farmers had an urgent request today from the Agricultural Adjustment Agency to sell any excess red clover seed to dealers or processors.

Maximum ceiling prices are: $18 a bushel for uncleaned or thresher run and $19.86 a bushel for cleaner seed. Dealers may purchase seed from a producer, have it cleaned and then sell it at a maximum of $22.17 a bushel, the AAA reported.

Fruit Growers Urged To Cut Red Cedars

Winchester, Va., Dec. 21 (AP).—Shenandoah Valley fruit growers are being urged by W. S. Campfield, secretary of the Virginia State Horticultural Society, to organize groups this winter to take charge of the work of cutting red cedars which have sprouted in recent years and are developing into a cedar rust menace.

Growers are asked to cut the sprouts below the surface instead of above the ground. The last organized cutting in the valley was 10 years ago.

$30,000 Furniture Destroyed by Fire

Richmond, Va., Dec. 21 (AP).—Firemen were still on hand this morning at the scene of a stubborn blaze which last night cleaned out the inside of the Rountree Furniture Exchange in Richmond and for a time threatened adjacent furniture establishments.

David D. Eanes, president of the corporation which operates the Exchange and also the store adjoining, estimated the value of stock lost at $30,000. He said the building was worth approximately $45,000.

State Closes 4 Oyster Bars In Upper Bay

Baltimore, Dec. 21 (AP).—Chairman Edwin Warfield, jr., of the Tidewater Fisheries Commission announced today that upper Chesapeake Bay oyster bars, which were opened for dredging in November would be closed again, effective tomorrow.

The State Fisheries Commission feels, Warfield said, that enough oysters have been removed for the present and "what are left are necessary to maintain normal production."

Any further work on the four bars, totaling 641 acres, might be damaging, the commission chairman added.

Between 50 and 60 dredges have been working, but they have "culled very well and there was no appreciable loss of smaller oysters," Warfield continued. He withheld any estimate of the amount of oysters taken from the bars pending reports from the dredge captains.

The commission announced on November 26 the opening of Mitchell's Bluff, Tolchester Bar, Coal Lump and Hodges Bar, and said the dredging had been authorized after a careful survey of the entire bay.

Warfield said there would be no additional opening this winter of the four bars.

Whisky Truckload Reported Stolen In Southern Md.

Leonardtown, Md., Dec. 21 (Spl.).—The reported hijacking at gunpoint of a truckload of whisky on the Washington-Leonardtown Highway, near Mechanicsville, today was investigated by State Police.

Samuel Bailey, president of the Bailey Express Transportation Co., told authorities that Gilbert Dyson, Negro driver, and two helpers reported that their truck was run off the highway by an auto. Two bandits, the crew said, then marched them into the woods at gunpoint, held them for a brief period and then fled. When the trio returned to their truck, they found 40 cases of whisky valued at about $2000 were missing. The wine cargo was undisturbed.

Bailey and police theorized that confederates in a trailing truck had unloaded the whiskey while the crew was held prisoners. The truck was one of a convoy being sent from Baltimore to Southern Maryland points.

Maryland Reaches 190% of Quota

Baltimore, Dec. 21 (AP).—Sales of Sixth War Loan bonds in Maryland have reached 190 per cent of the State's original quota of 210 million dollars, State War Finance Chairman Frank W. Wrightson announced last night.

The new sales total indicated Maryland stands a good chance of doubling its quota by the end of December. Although the campaign ended last Saturday, all individual purchases this month will be credited to the quota.

Hunter Grapples, Fells, Shoots Deer

Martinsburg, W. Va., Dec. 21 (Spl.).—Ralph Burkhart, service station proprietor, doesn't rely entirely upon his gun when he goes deer-hunting. If necessary, he can grapple wrestler style with the animal to conquer it.

Associates of Burkhart on a hunting trip into Grant County verified his story of using both methods to get his 165-pound, 6-pronged buck. His first shot went through the deer's neck, they said, and did not fell the animal, but it tripped over a log in its flight. Burkhart overtook it, and grappled with it until it was worn out; then he primed his gun—which had been jammed and prevented him firing a second quick shot after the first—and finished off the animal.

O'Conor to Seek Baltimore Area Chronic Hospital

Baltimore, Dec. 21 (AP).—Construction of a chronic disease hospital in the Baltimore area will be recommended by Governor O'Conor to the next session of the Legislature, the Governor said today in a letter to Mayor Theodore R. McKeldin.

O'Conor specified that the hospital would be in addition to similar institutions planned previously for Salisbury and Hagerstown.

McKeldin had asked that the request be delayed until the attitude of the Legislature toward a third hospital in the Baltimore area could be determined.

In that letter McKeldin said Baltimore was the only subdivision of the State which maintained a chronic disease hospital at its own expense and commented that there is a great demand for space treatment of persons with acute disease.

Grove Found Guilty of Arson In Hagerstown

Hagerstown, Md., Dec. 21 (AP).—Richard Cecil Grove, 31-year-old chain-store stockroom clerk, was convicted of setting fire to the McEwen Furniture Co. warehouse by Judge Joseph D. Mish in Circuit Court today.

Grove took the stand in his own defense this morning. He admitted he signed a statement confessing the fire shortly after his arrest, but said "It was all a durn lie, your honor.

"I was in bed and first saw the fire from my bedroom window," the defendant testified.

Grove was not sentenced pending disposition of arson charges growing out of other fires which occurred last October.

In finding the verdict of guilty, Judge Mish said he was in full agreement that a confession alone was not sufficient for conviction, but added that there was corroboration of the essential parts of the confession. Judge Mish said Grove's confession was significant in that his statement told the facts of the fire and gave reasons for the action.

In support of her son's denial of having set the fire, Mrs. Ralph Grove testified Richard was in bed when the early morning blaze broke out last October.

Midshipmen Depart On Christmas Leave

Annapolis, Md., Dec. 21 (AP).—The regiment of midshipmen at the Naval Academy left today on their Christmas leave under orders to report back January 2.

Last night the midshipmen sang Christmas carols in front of the chapel and then had their Christmas dinner in Bancroft hall.

Livestock and Produce

Baltimore Livestock

Baltimore, Dec. 21 (AP) (WFA Office of Distribution).—CATTLE—Receipts, 500; 100 holdovers not included; receipts meager; slaughter steers active, steady with Wednesday; all other slaughter classes very active, mostly 25 higher, instances more; stockers and feeders unchanged; truck-lot good upward 1180-lb. steers, 14.25 early top; few medium lots, 12.50@13.25; common and medium heifers, 10.00@13.50; medium beef cows, 11.50@12.50; cutter and common, 7.50@11.00; canners, 6.50@7.00; odd shelly individuals down to 5.00; beef bulls absent; top sausage bulls, 12.00; bulk, 8.50@11.50; few small lots good feeder steers, 12.50@13.00; few medium, 11.50.

CALVES—Receipts, 300; active, steady with Wednesday; unchanged.

HOGS—Receipts, 1100; active; barrows, gilts and sows 10 higher than Wednesday; practical top, 14.90; good and choice, 120-150 lbs., 13.10@13.35; 130-140 lbs., 13.50@13.85; 140-150 lbs., 14.10@14.35; 160-180 lbs., 14.35@14.90; 180-200 lbs., 14.65@14.90; 261-300 lbs., 14.30@14.35; good sows up to 400 lbs., 13.10@13.60; over 400 lbs. selling for lower.

SHEEP—Receipts, 300; active, steady with Wednesday; practical top and popular price, 13.50; good and choice wooled lambs mostly 70 lbs. up, 13.00 to mainly 13.50; common and medium, 10.00@13.00; culls around 8.50; choice lightweight slaughter ewes, 5.50; bulk common and good, 2.50@5.00; few culls around 1.50.

(Note—The Baltimore livestock market will be closed to trading December 25, 1944, and January 1, 1945.)

Richmond Markets

Richmond, Va., Dec. 21 (AP) (USDA).—(Prices represent sales on wholesale market.)

WHITE POTATOES—Receipts moderate, market strong; 100-lb. sacks, New York and Maine, 3.50@3.75.

APPLES—Market steady; various varieties, small and 1¼-in. sizes, no demand; 2¼ to 2½ in. and up, 2.00@2.50; some few higher; 2½-in. up, 2.75@3.75.

EGGS—(Prices paid net to producers, f. o. b. Richmond.) Receipts, moderate, market firm; Federal-State grading stations, whites, browns, U. S. grade A, large, 53@54; U. S. grade A, medium, 46@48; U. S. grade A, small, 38@40; U. S. grade B, large, 43@44; U. S. grade B, medium, 39@42; U. S. grade C, large, 35; pullets, 35; nearby ungraded current receipts, whites and mixed colors, 38@42; 34@45 doz. for 56-lbs. and up.

LIVE POULTRY—(Prices paid net to producers, f. o. b. Richmond.) Receipts extremely light; no chickens; market steady; all prices on poultry at OPA ceiling; broilers, fryers and roasters, 28½; colored hens, 25; Leghorns, 22@24; old roosters, 20; old turkeys, all weights, 33.20 per 100 lbs.; young turkeys, all weights, 35.20 per 100 lbs., plus hauling allowance according to distance.

HOGS—Receipts, 1800; market steady with Wednesday; 180 to 240 lb. grain-fed hogs, 12.80; 100 to 120 lbs., 10.85; 120 to 140 lbs., 12.50; 140 to 160 lbs., 13.15; 160 to 180 lbs., 13.75; 240 to 270 lbs., 12.50; 270 to 300 lbs., 13.00; 300 to 330 lbs., 12.85; weights 330 lbs. up, 12.50; good sows under 350 lbs., 13.15; 350 to 500 lbs., 11.65; over 500 lbs., 10.90; good stags, 7.90.

CATTLE—Good butcher bulls bring 8.50@9.50; sausage bulls, according to size and quality, 6.00@8.00; top dairy type cows bring 8.00@9.00; medium to good, 6.50@7.00; common grades, 4.50@6.00; shelly kinds, 3.50@4.00; good and choice vealers and steady, 14.00@14.50; medium calves, 11.00@13.00; common kinds, 8.00@10.00.

Chicago Livestock

Chicago, Dec. 21 (AP) (WFA).—SALABLE HOGS—Receipts, 11,000; total hogs, 19,000; market opened very active, mostly 35 to 50 cents higher on barrows and gilts; closing mostly 50 cents up with instances more than 50 higher on underweights; sows 10 to 15 higher, top at 14.75 ceiling; price paid freely; most sales good and choice, 180 lbs. and over, 14.50@14.75; few 150-180 lbs. at 14.00@14.65; virtually all sows, 14.00; complete clearance.

CATTLE—Receipts, 6000; calves, 1000; fed steers and yearlings weak to 25 lower; good and choice offerings off most; top, 17.50; bulk, 13.50@16.75; heifers weak, cows in liberal supply, good beef cows 25 higher, others active, steady; bulls weak, vealers steady to 1.50 down; very narrow market on stocker and feeder cattle at 9.50@12.50 mostly.

SALABLE SHEEP—Receipts, 5000; total, 9000; today trade no early sales slaughter lambs, asking stronger or 15.00 and slightly above for good and choice fed wooled Western, however demand apparently not as broad as on Wednesday; slaughter ewes fully steady at Wednesday's sharp advance; three decks medium 105-109 lb. native and Western ewes, 6.50; choice native ewes reached 7.25 late Wednesday.

Holiday Drivers Cautioned; Heavy 1943 Toll Cited

Richmond, Va., Dec. 21 (AP).—Citing the 13 traffic deaths in Virginia last Christmas Day, Maj. James R. Nunn, superintendent of the Department of State Police, today warned Virginia motorists and pedestrians to use the few simple safety laws which have been designed for their protection.

To emphasize that additional caution should be practiced during the holiday season, Major Nunn pointed out that 10 additional traffic deaths wer e recorded on Christmas Eve in Virginia last year. Forty-five traffic deaths between December 23 and January 2 were recorded in 1943.

He added that the war will be the source of a great deal of sadness in Virginia homes this year, and he expressed the hope that traffic deaths will not add to the sorrow.

"The practice of restraint and moderation during the holiday period can and will save lives," he said.

Markell Offered Md. Bench Post

Annapolis, Md., Dec. 21 (AP).—Governor O'Conor announced today he had offered Charles Markell, counsel for the Consolidated Gas, Electric Light & Power Co. of Baltimore, a place on the Maryland Court of Appeals.

Markell was one of the five lawyers and two judges who were recommended by the judiciary committee of the Baltimore Bar Association for the appointment to be the city's second representative on the appellate court.

The Governor said that he had not received a reply as yet from Markell.

Warrenton General Heads Armored Division

In Germany, Dec. 21 (AP).—Brig. Gen. Albert Cowper Smith of Warrenton, Va., is commanding the U. S. Fourteenth Armored Division, one of the American outfits hacking into the Siegfried Line on the Seventh Army front, it was disclosed today.

New Md. Centenarian

Crisfield, Md., Dec. 21 (AP).—The Eastern Shore town of Crisfield now can boast of a centenarian, as of today. He is Capt. Alexander August Sterling, better known to the folk hereabouts as Capt. Gus Polk, who was born in Asbury District, where he now lives alone, December 21, 1844.

Three Boys Hunted

Cumberland, Md., Dec. 20 (AP).—Three boys, missing since they failed to return home from school Monday, were the subjects of a widespread police search today. They were listed by police as Charles Swandol, 14, and William Swandol, and Raymond Wills, 12, all of Cumberland.

Mrs. Booker Buried; Former Va. Legislator

Martinsville, Va., Dec. 21 (AP).—Funeral services were held today for Mrs. Sallie C. Booker, 87, one of the first women to be elected to the Virginia General Assembly, who died yesterday at a Martinsville hospital after an illness of two months.

A country school teacher for a quarter of a century and the mother of seven children, Mrs. Booker was elected to the House of Delegates in 1926 without spending a cent on her campaign. "I did not have to," she once remarked. "My school boys elected me."

Mrs. Booker lived to see four wars and remembered the marching troops and the sound of the drums during the War Between the States—when she was 8-year-old Sallie Cooke of Franklin.

All seven children survive her. They are Mayor J. W. Booker of Martinsville, Mrs. George Penn of Draper, N. C.; Fletcher Booker of Wilkes-Barre, Pa.; Lowry S. Booker of Roanoke and Sam E. Booker, Mrs. Thomas W. Carter and Mrs. R. Sidney King, all of Martinsville.

Miss Kate L. Moore

Berryville, Va., Dec. 21.—Miss Kate L. Moore, one of this city's oldest citizens, died Monday evening at her home. She would have been 94 in February. A sister, Miss Cornelia Moore of this community and a number of nieces survive. Services were held yesterday afternoon at the Grace Episcopal Church, of which she was a faithful member.

Mrs. F. G. Orndorff

Winchester, Va., Dec. 21.—Funeral services will be held here Friday morning for Mrs. Fannie Grim Orndorff, 57, a native of the city, who died Monday at Bethesda, Md. She is survived by her husband, Roger Orndorff.

Benefit Jamboree Set in Annapolis

Annapolis, Md., Dec. 21 (AP).—The annual game, dance and show jamboree staged by Beta Chapter of Tau Omicron Phi, national service sorority, for the benefit of the National War Fund will be held at Carvel Hall, Saturday night, January 13.

The committee directing the T. O. P. jamboree of 1945 includes Miss Amy Morrissey, president of the local chapter; Miss Mary Larson and Mrs. Charles R. Dodds.

T. O. P. is an Army, Navy and Marine Corps sorority founded many years ago as a charitable organization. It has chapters in scattered places throughout the world.

Labor Council Hits Convention Curb

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 21 (AP).—The Virginia General Assembly's attempt to realtrict the proposed constitutional convention to correcting the State's War Votes Act has been protested by the Hampton Roads District Labor Council.

The council, composed of representatives of American Federation of Labor unions in the area, called upon all members of organized labor "to put forth all effort to the end that the moral and legal doublecross perpetrated by the well-oiled political machine acting through the general assembly be defeated and the people of Virginia be given a new lease on democracy with the complete elimination of the poll tax."

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By Crockett Johnson

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On second thought, I'll put the whole affair in the hands of an attorney—
And, O'Malley, I've decided to give up hunting.
CROCKETT JOHNSON

Limited Gas Seen Blocking Vet Readjustment

Returning veterans are handicapped in looking for reemployment and rehabilitating their business because of regulations restricting gasoline, William F. Carlin, president of the Service Aid Council to Montgomery County Selective Service Board, No. 2, Silver Spring, declared yesterday.

The council which is now interviewing many of the 400 veterans in the Silver Spring, Ttakoma Park and Kensington area released from service, has written a letter to the Maryland OPA office in Baltimore, asking if it is possible to do something to remedy the situation, he said.

A reply signed by Norman E. ooper, district rationing attorney, stated that "up to now no revision of regulations for veterans has been made."

"We anticipate some changes in the near future which will allow veterans to obtain gasoline for the purpose of securing positions and for assisting them in earning their livelihood," the letter read.

100 Needy Helped

More than 100 needy persons, including 5 families, will be made happier this Christmas because the Takoma Park Health and Welfare Association has lled 45 "Christmas Opportunities" in the oMntgomery and Prince Georges sections of Takoma Park

Contributions, including $150 from the Takoma Park Lions Club, and gifts from the Mothers Club and groups in the Women's Missionary Society of the Takoma Park Presbyterian Church, helped Mrs. George Robertson, chairman of the project, fulll requests made by the social welfare boards of both counties. Gifts are being delivered this week by social welfare workers.

In addition to their donation the Lions Club has voted to continue nancing of 14 allowances of $1 a month for children placed in foster homes in Takoma Park.

One boy wanted a football outt. Through the efforts of Mrs. Arthur P. Harrison, Sligo Park Hills, the request was made possible. Mrs. Harrison made many inquiries which resulted in a soldier serving overseas giving permission to his mother to turn over his football to fulll the child's Christmas wish. Other equipment for the outfit was obtained along similar procedure, Mrs. Robertson said.

Public Nurse Named

Appointment of Miss Ruth Rokahr as a Montgomery County public health nurse to take charge of the Olney district, formerly under the direction of Miss Elizabeth B. Jones, who resigned, was announced yesetrday by Dr. V. L. Ellicott, county health officer. She will take office January 1.

A graduate of the University of Nebraska School of Nursing, Miss Rokahr has had experience in Red Cross nursing in the Midwest both as a consultant and an assistant. She now resides in Rockville.

Dr. Ellicott also announced that 46 patients were treated this week at the orthopedic clinic at the Montgomery County General Hospital health center in Sandy Spring. Dr. Robert W. Johnson, jr., of the Children's Hospital School of Baltimore, was clinician.

Grin and Bear It — By Lichty

"But I AM keeping a schedule, Mother—It's the baby who isn't!"

Conviction Reversed In Wholesale Fag Theft

Annapolis, Md., Dec. 21 (AP).—The Court of Appeals reversed today the Baltimore City Supreme Bench's conviction of Antonio Imbraguglia on charges of receiving stolen goods, and stated the count in the indictment under which he was tried was not sufficiently clear.

The Appellate Court thus sustained an objection raised by Imbraguglia's counsel that the second count of the grand jury indictment did not adequately discribe the property involved.

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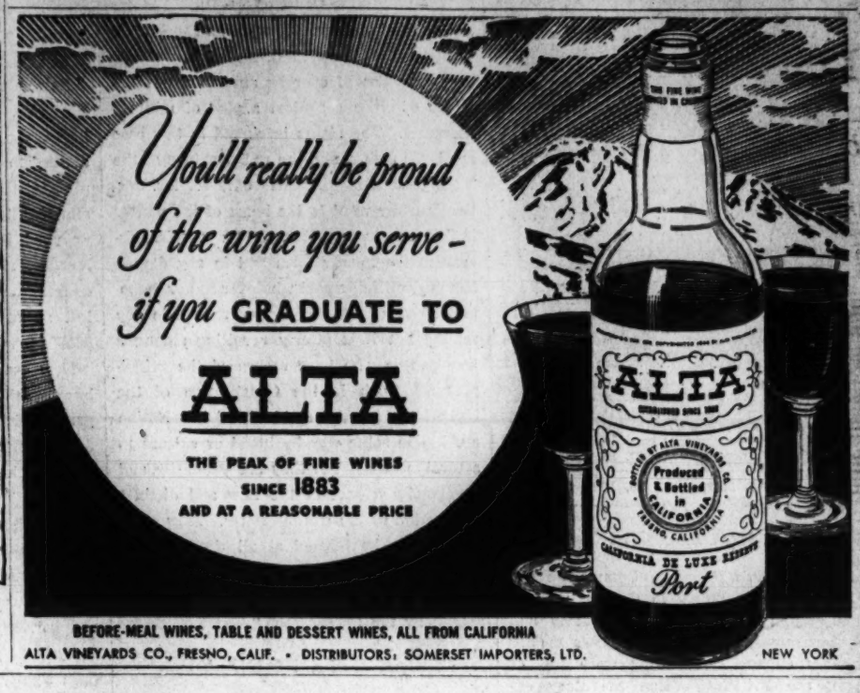
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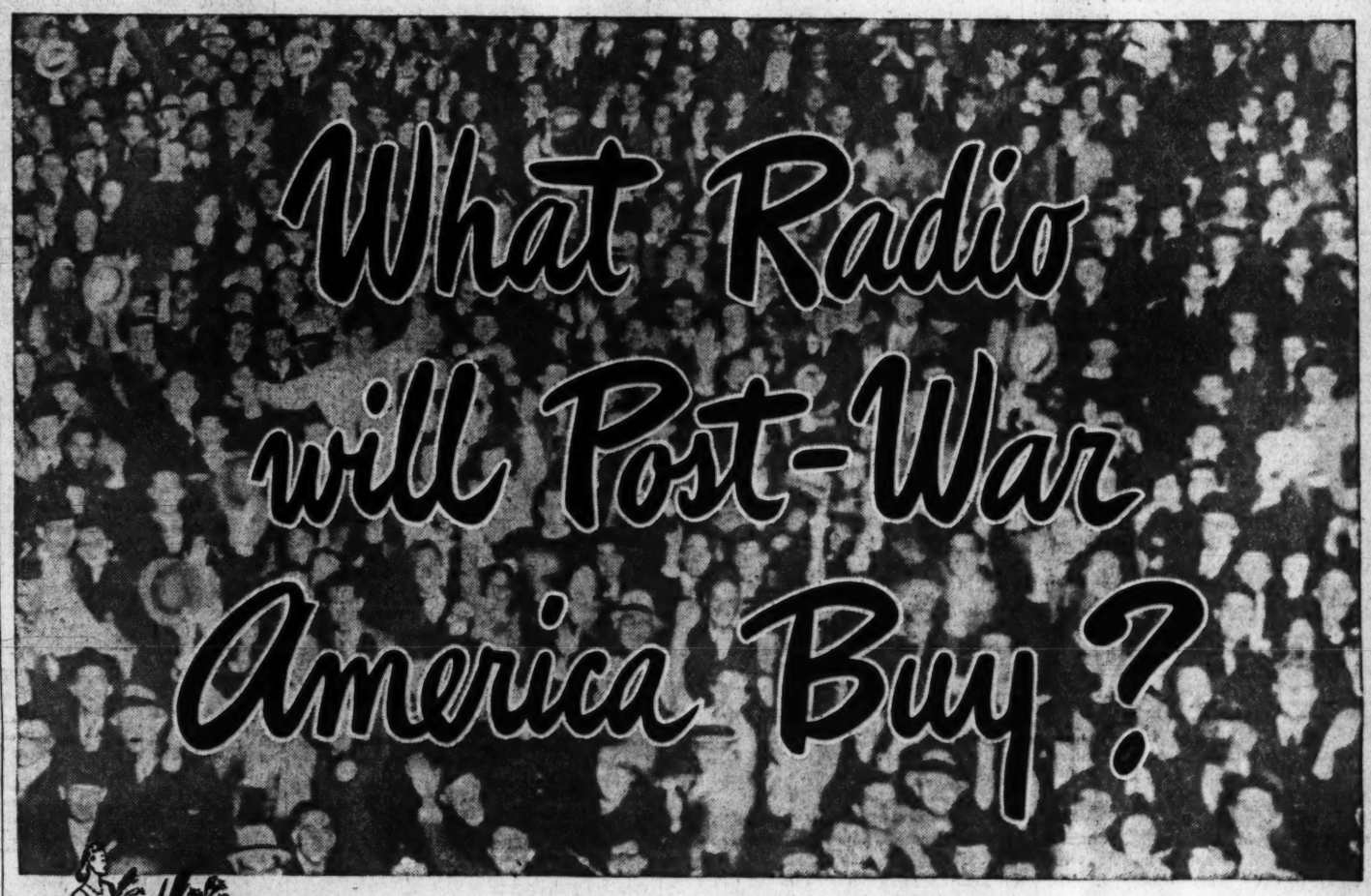

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Amen To A Hope

In Mr. Eden's House of Commons statement on British policy in Greece, a statement happily as free of vituperation and name-calling as Winston Churchill's earlier remarks on the same thing were full of them, the British Foreign Secretary expressed the fervent hope that the present "unhappy phase in Anglo-Greek relations" will soon be closed. He also expressed the wish that British troops be removed from Greece as soon as practically possible. "We only ask," he said, "that order shall be established so that the people shall be fed with supplies, the greater part of which we collected with great pains."

Mr. Eden's moderate words will find a welcoming echo on this side of the Atlantic. Disturbing and dangerous as the tragic developments in Greece would have been under any circumstances, they have been particularly disturbing at a time when a frightful and costly battle is taking place on the Western Front. The indications are that along that front the Allies will need every man they can muster, first to hold and ultimately to roll back the German tide. In this grim emergency the spectacle of an Allied force, even one of the limited size of the British force in Greece, being used for any purpose other than to wage unrelenting war against the common enemy is monstrous. Mr. Eden's statement is oil on the troubled waters. We fervently hope that it will have the intended effect.

Legalization Of Racism

The Supreme Court on Monday handed down two vital decisions concerning the manner in which the United States Government has treated its citizens of Japanese descent. By a vote of 6 to 3, in the *Korematsu* case, the Court upheld the validity of General DeWitt's order—"as of the time it was made and when the petitioner violated it"—excluding all persons with Japanese blood in their veins, whether native Americans or not, from the West Coast area under his command. The time of the order was May, 1942. There has been as yet no final judicial determination as to whether continued exclusion, in the light of changed conditions since that time, remains valid. But since the War Department on Sunday voluntarily rescinded its general exclusion order, the issue now seems moot save as it may arise in the case of individuals whose loyalty the military considers suspect. In its other decision on Monday, in the *Endo* case, the Court unanimously ruled that detention, on racial grounds, of a Japanese-American of established loyalty to the United States is unlawful.

Laymen may be pardoned if they find these verdicts contradictory. Mass evacuation created conditions as a result of which detention became virtually inevitable. The migration of 112,000 Japanese-Americans had to be controlled. States in the interior of the country did not want them and in some cases refused to admit them. Public feeling against persons of Japanese descent was running high at the time; some form of "protective custody" was altogether necessary once evacuation was undertaken. Yet the Court sustained the constitutionality of a military act the sure consequence of which it denounced as wholly unconstitutional.

The Court's majority in the *Korematsu* decision was clearly solicitous to allow the Army adequate power to deal with crisis situations. Its judgment, as expressed by Mr. Justice Black, was that General DeWitt's exclusion orders were lawful security measures in view of the urgent military danger and that "We cannot—by availing ourselves of the calm perspective of hindsight—now say that at that time these actions were unjustified." But if exclusion itself was a justifiable expedient, the indiscriminate manner of its application, we think, was not. For no attempt whatever was made to distinguish between the loyal and the disloyal, although nearly eight months elapsed after Pearl Harbor before the final exclusion order was issued.

It is on this ground that we are inclined to take our stand with Mr. Justice Murphy's characterization of the majority opinion as a "legalization of racism." The whole history behind the exclusion order gives color to his contention. Influential groups on the West Coast, hostile to the Japanese-Americans for selfish economic reasons, exploited the crisis to bring about an exclusion they had long desired. And much of General DeWitt's final report on his management of the situation reveals a marked bias, not to say bigotry, against all persons of Japanese ancestry. Moreover, we thoroughly share Justice Murphy's apprehension that "to infer that examples of individual disloyalty prove group disloyalty is to deny that under our system of law individual guilt is the sole basis for deprivation of rights . . . and to encourage and open the door to discriminatory actions against other mipority groups in the passions of tomorrow."

If the Supreme Court of the United States did not feel qualified to impose a check upon military discretion in this situation, we wonder when it will ever be able to assert the rights of citizens against a plea of military necessity. The rights infringed in this case are basic rights, and the racial nature of the infringement is peculiarly odious. Mr. Justice Murphy went to the heart of the matter in his concluding observation: "Racial discrimination in any form and in any degree has no justifiable part whatever in our democratic way of life. It is unattractive in any setting but it is utterly revolting among a free people who have embraced the principles set forth in the Constitution of the United States. All residents of this Nation are kin in some way by blood or culture to a foreign land. Yet they are primarily and necessarily a part of the new and distinct civilization of the United States. They must accordingly be treated at all times as the heirs of the American experiment and as entitled to all the rights and freedoms guaranteed by the Constitution."

Mr. Eden's Proposal

This country should get behind Mr. Eden's suggestion of a meeting of the Foreign Ministers of Britain, Russia, France and America in lieu of a Big Three get-together. It is all very well for Mr. Churchill to say that unity on essentials prevails. The contrary is what William James called the stubborn and irreducible fact. And what makes this situation immediately serious is that the lack of political unity is now interfering with the prosecution of the war. The effect of disunity on morale has hitherto been bad enough, but it is as plain as a pikestaff that the absence of harmony on the Polish question is a grave impediment into the strategical conduct of combined operations.

Mr. Drew Pearson makes the valid and, indeed, obvious point that the stalemate on the Eastern Front has enabled the Germans to concentrate their munitions in the embattled west. It would be strange if the Germans had not also withdrawn men from the armies facing the Russians in order to stiffen the divisions in the west which we had been given to understand in Army pictures and information were manned in great part by Germans in varying degrees of decrepitude. Evidence on the basis of "intelligence" that there has been no shift is hard to believe. Intelligence, that priceless ingredient of successful warfare, has been lacking—in areas from Greece to the combat lines in western Europe, which has witnessed a mighty irruption without the least forewarning. To be sure, any German withdrawal from the east would be risky. But in Germany's present straits only the greatest of "calculated risks" can pull victory out of the jaws of defeat, meaning by victory a negotiated peace. The risk is the weakening of the Eastern Front, but the calculation is that, as Mr. Churchill has implied, the Russians will not move across Poland till a political settlement on Poland has been agreed upon.

Agreement on Poland has thus become essential in saving American lives and aiding our arms to throw the "decrepit" Germans back. It is now our diplomatic job to push it. All diplomacy must be guided by assumptions, and there are three, it seems to us, in the present issue. One is that the Russian government will never present the entire Polish question for solution by the Allies in conference. The utmost it may do is to talk over adjustments of the new frontiers which the Russians, fearful as they are of a risen Germany, say they need for their own security. The status of Lvov is in this category. The second assumption is that, if Russia is to be persuaded to talk with the London Poles, Mikolajczyk must take the place of Arcieciewicz. We cannot imagine the Russians making any adjustments with the Polish regime in London established after the ouster of Mikolajczyk. The third assumption is that, if there is no settlement now, the Poles will get progressively worse treatment as time goes on. That is the inexorable lesson of recent history. At the beginning of our lend-lease aid, Russia might have been accommodating, but our diplomacy was then asleep. Sikorski could have made a fairly acceptable arrangement. But Russia has hardened her heart progressively since the death of Sikorski. That is so obvious that there is still only a pale chance in the shape of the return of Mikolajczyk that the Russians will have anything whatsoever to do with the government-in-exile in London.

Accordingly this Government should correct any impression lingering from the Stettinius statement that it is backing Polish claims against Russia. What we are seeking, what we need, is agreement, because such an agreement has now become a *sine qua non* of the reassertion of our military power, let alone of great power unity. If we are guided by the above assumptions, then we should persuade the Poles to undertake the changes which are necessary in enabling our diplomacy to obtain adjustments of the Russian position. It has been left to this country to negotiate the adjustments. Britain is backing Russia, and this newspaper takes it for granted that France, as a condition of her new alliance with Russia, has made a similar pledge. There are those who insist that we keep out of the Polish-Russian boundary dispute. But we have been in that dispute from the beginning by reason of our expressed concern and of our power. The German counteroffensive now has thrust our Government in the very center of it. For a condition has arisen in place of a theory, and that means that positive action must now take the place of negative action. The meeting suggested by Mr. Eden should take place at once and in Moscow.

Pension Paradox

Some days ago it was learned that Mrs. Lesley J. McNair, who had lost both her husband and her son in the war, has been obliged to take employment in order to supplement the meager pension of $50 a month allowed her. A little earlier it was announced that the late Lieutenant General McNair, after a lifetime of service to his country culminating in his death in battle, left an estate of very slightly more than $2500.

Now comes the news that the President has signed the bill, recently enacted by Congress, which places the claims of widows and descendants of veterans of the first World War, including those of men who were never in battle and who died of causes in no way connected with their service, virtually on a parity with cases like Mrs. McNair's. These pensions are, of course, in addition to the various bonuses and other emoluments and privileges granted at various times in the past 24 years under systematic pressure from tightly organized lobbies and pressure groups. A clause in the new Pension Act does, indeed, provide that to be eligible for the pension benefits a childless widow must testify that her income is less than $1000 a year and a widow with children that her income is less than $2500. But if the history of previous pension legislation is any guide, these qualifications will almost certainly be removed by subsequent amendments.

There seems a shocking inequity about all this, and it is possibly no coincidence that the passage and signing of the pension bill was given little publicity and occurred at a time when public attention was distracted by other matters. It is necessary, however, that the present generation of soldiers should know of it. These soldiers, it is frequently said, are rather confused about the question of precisely what they are fighting for. They should know now that, among other and better things, they are fighting for the right to pay, though inflation or taxation, for the perpetuation of public benefits to a specially privileged class.

Employer Subterfuge

We realize that there are many good reasons why General Motors does not welcome the unionization of its engineers and technicians under CIO auspices. Nevertheless, in our opinion, the NLRB was right in concluding that the company had been guilty of an unfair labor practice and of antiunion discrimination in transferring these employes from their previously salaried classification to an hourly wage basis after they had chosen a collective bargaining representative. As a consequence of this transfer, the employes concerned lost a number of valuable privileges, such as separation pay, group insurance benefits, and certain vacation privileges.

The company's contention that its method of paying its employes is a management matter having nothing to do with collective bargaining does not hold water in view of the circumstances surrounding the sudden change of classification. The move was obviously designed to penalize and intimidate employes who had joined the union, and the company doubtless hoped to break up the organization. The NLRB has accordingly ordered General Motors to return the professional employes to their former salaried status and to bargain on request with the chosen representatives of its engineers and technicians. Had it done otherwise, the door would have been left open for General Motors and other companies to employ various unworthy subterfuges to discourage the unionization of their trained professional employes.

Appeal For Rooms

Among the many lesser trials of war that American civilians have been spared is that of compulsory billeting in their homes of either servicemen or essential warworkers. Because it has been possible to meet the need for housing accommodation more or less satisfactorily in congested areas without resort to such extreme measures, thousands of Washington residents still have guest rooms or extra rooms at their disposal. To these fortunately situated people the American Women's Voluntary Services has addressed an appeal to make rooms available to service men and women and members of their families over the Christmas weekend. Failure to respond will mean that this Christmas will again find travel-worn, disheartened servicemen wandering drearily about the city with no place to lay their heads when night comes, unless it be a very hard bench in a railway or bus station or an uncomfortable seat in a crowded hotel lobby.

BIRTHDAY

Turn from the inn to the door-sag
Low in the wall.
Turn to the animal-warm stable.
O multiply and multiply the Star
And the keepers of the sheep!
Today, Child,

Your gifts are rust:
Brute-twisted brains,
Fear-crouching eyes,
Crosses of blood, the warped flesh:
Yet now this Hour:

O feel the flow of light—
On tear-sprung eyelids
the re-risen Star!

GERTRUDE MAY LUTZ

German Offensive

By Ernest Lindley

Disputes Minimized

THE GREAT and perhaps decisive battle of western Europe has descended upon Allied dissension like thunder and lightning on neighbors engaged in warm argument in an open field. Suddenly, raised voices become hard to hear and the subject matter of the argument seems less important than it did before the storm broke.

The Germans once again are demonstrating that they are a powerful and resourceful enemy, with astonishing stamina and recuperative capacities. They demonstrated that in the first World War when, with mediocre Allies, they knocked out Russia and nearly defeated France, Italy, and Great Britain before the United States could bring its weight to bear. They demonstrated it in the rapid rebuilding of their military power under Hitler. They have demonstrated it repeatedly in this war. Now, after more than five years of fighting, during two of which they have suffered costly reverses, the Germans face 90 per cent of Russia's current military strength, perhaps two thirds of the British Empire's, and probably half of that of the United States which can be projected across the ocean. For 18 months German industry and transportation have been subjected to heavy, systematic bombing. Six months ago the Luftwaffe appeared to have been nearly annihilated. Now its fighter force is probably as large as it ever was and includes a growing percentage of jet-propelled planes which are much faster than any that the Allies are using yet. The dwindling of the old German bomber force has been compensated for, perhaps several times over, by the V weapons. And the Wehrmacht is able to mount and execute at least one major offensive.

WHETHER or not the German people have a peculiar predilection for war, they clearly have exceptional capacity to wage it. This is the fact to which the German offensive redirects attention. It is one which has been more fully appreciated by Germany's immediate neighbors than by the people of the United States. Why Russia and France, each of which within a quarter of a century lost one war to Germany and nearly lost another, are determined to get all the security they can find is understandable.

In the lively public debate over treatment of the liberated nations, the central concern of the United States in European settlement was lost sight of. That is the rise of aggressor power strong enough to menace the security of the United States. In the light of the present and recent past, that means Germany. The first common interest of the Allies is not only in defeating Germany but making sure that she does not rise again as a great military power.

Russia or some other nation might in the future loom as a threat. No one can guarantee what the aims of Russia—or of the United States—will be 10 or 20 years hence. But Russia's present capacity to wage modern war is very much less than Germany's. The Russians desperately need time for internal reconstruction—and after that they can use more time, perhaps several generations, in the fuller development of their internal resources. The policies of the Russians with respect to their eastern borders and the smaller nations adjoining them and to their alliances with Britain and France can be explained most clearly in terms of fear of Germany. This may indicate lack of complete confidence in the proposed world security system, but it does not indicate lack of desire for it. No nation will rely completely on the world security organization unless it has to.

The German offensive is a sharp reminder that the Allies cannot afford to lose sight now, or in the future, of their most important common interest in Europe.

Cigarettes Abroad

Yesterday I received a letter from my husband who has been in the European theater of operations the past 10 months saying that noncombatants are banned from buying cigarettes at the PX's because there are no cigarettes. A copy of Stars and Stripes for November 22 carried a long comment on the ban. Polls carried on among the GI's came up against bewilderment. "Why?" they asked.

Between the grunts and groans of the cigarette shortage, the civilian population continues to smoke heavily. Surely the boys on foreign duty deserve better than that of the American public. Let's do something about it.

DONA N. CLAPP.
Kensington, Md., Dec. 15.

Washington Calling

By Marquis Childs

Atlantic Charter Fading Fast

MOST OF US who crowded into President Roosevelt's office for his Tuesday press conference were, I think, fairly well mystified by his performance. Maybe that is what he intended.

As the voice went on, in a random, chatty fashion, you felt that before your very eyes the Atlantic Charter was dissolving into a mist. True, it had been pretty wraithlike. It had so little corporeal substance that you could walk through it in a dark alley if you mustered up your courage sufficiently.

But under the President's soothing words it seemed to disappear entirely. It was like the little boy in the Indian rope trick. It disappeared up there into the clouds without any fuss or fanfare whatsoever.

The performance reminded me of that mellow veteran of the political wars, Homer S. Cummings, who, as Attorney General, never got into any hot water such as has lately deluged the Department of Justice. Whenever an embarrassing question was put to him, Homer would tip back in his chair, balance his pince-Nez on his nose, smile benignly and say:

"Well, now, that's just like Mahomet's coffin; it's hovering in mid-air, neither here nor there."

WAS THAT what the President wanted us to understand? That the Atlantic Charter had slipped into a gray limbo in which no one could remember very well whether it was signed or unsigned? I certainly don't know.

You might have assumed that this flourishing of the veils was done to conceal a retreat on the issue of Poland's territorial integrity. Yet, in his speech in the House of Commons on Wednesday, Prime Minister Churchill plainly intimated that there was no agreement on that issue, which must mean America is withholding approval of the terms to which Churchill had earlier given his blessing.

The ordinary Britisher is apparently just as puzzled about all this as the ordinary American. A dispatch to the Baltimore Sun reports that Britons have been left completely unsatisfied by Secretary of State Stettinius' explanation of our policy toward Poland, and certainly the President must have added to that puzzlement.

"Only the present German offensive," the Sun dispatch says, "prevents the whole question from boiling up into a first-class political crisis. Anti-Soviet prejudice does not lie behind the trouble. The vigor of the support here for the Polish viewpoint rests on two principal reasons.

"The first is that Britain went into the war to save Poland. The second is that Britons have been impressed throughout the war by the valor of Polish pilots and soldiers."

Those of us who write about these things often make the mistake, it seems to me, of saying, "The British think so-and-so," or, "The American position is thus-and-so," when, of course, we mean a few people in a government or a political party or, perhaps, the viewpoint of a single powerful individual. The meager evidence we have indicates that Britishers are more aroused by Churchill's recent policy than Americans.

It may go back to that business of communication—the communication of ideas and attitudes. That is, I think, one of the goals of John S. Knight, the vigorous president of the American Society of Newspaper Editors.

Knight is working to keep the channels clear. It is why a committee of editors will go to world capitals to talk to high government officials about the freedom of news communication after the war. This means news communication that is not propped up by a government crutch; news communication that is not slanted to a government viewpoint, and a propaganda objective.

Of course, it's difficult to communicate an attitude, either official or popular, that isn't there. It would be interesting to see the stories that the British correspondents cabled back to London after Tuesday's session in the President's office.

We used to play a spell-down game called ghost. On the first miss, you were a fourth of a ghost; on the second, half a ghost, and so on until you were a ghost and out of the game. I think the Atlantic Charter is, as of today, three fourths of a ghost and fading fast.

Letters To The Editor

Communications must carry writer's name and address, though pen names are permitted at the editor's discretion. Letters should be held to not more than 200 words. They are subject to condensation.

GI View

Following are excerpts of a letter written by my husband, Pvt. William H. Hill, who is now with the armed forces in Germany. Since I believe this is some clear thinking with which many GI's would agree, and since it might do some people a lot of good, I would appreciate it if you would print all or part of the following in your paper:

"You are right, there is something of an injustice in us being here while the 4-F's prosper and nine tenths of the people back home are making more money than they ever made before, the same people who will in peacetime resent a former GI claim to any preferential treatment. But the 4-F's are 4-F's because the Army classified them that way and there is something the matter with them. The people who are making so much money are doing so because the opportunity is there and they would be fools to refuse it. I don't consider money here at all. I don't envy the money in the States. I should like to live in more comfort and safety, and I should like to be with you and Jerry. I get enough to eat, enough to wear, and medical attention is very handy if I ever need it. I am in better health than I have been for 10 years, my condition is good, my spirits remain high. I have seen things and done things that give me a better conception of life and truth, things of the foreign world that satisfy curiosity and educate. I've seen new and better tests of a man than I knew before. I've been a part of a little organization that did something that made headlines around the world. I saw France and the French people when you could see, and not have to depend on abstract utterances why we fight this war and why we have to win. I have seen the evils of war, and they are the greatest man can do to man, and to know the best you must know the worst. I've done without so many little things that in peacetime I thought were my right that now I see have to be gained, nursed, and appreciated to God and the United States. They are now big things, though simple. After this war, the rest of my life and the life of my neighbor will have benefited because of my being where I am, a soldier on a battlefield.

"As a GI, the end of the war will be a greater reward and a finer basis for joy than it will to those back home. The only thing I ask is credit for my being here insofar as not carrying any sacrifices into peacetime. I don't want to go back and work for a 4F who got his position because I had to go to war and couldn't compete with him while I was away. So, don't feel sorry for us except maybe for the danger, the living conditions, and being away from our families. Feel the most sorrow for those back home who have loved ones on the line, who really go through something in worry and anxiety all the time, because they don't know when we are in danger, while we do. Don't compare us with 4F's and others back home. The only thing we want is that after the war we find our proper level and opportunity. A man is drafted out of a good job, a 4F gets it; when the war is done that 4F must realize that the opportunity was never really his, was only loaned to him by the Draft Board for the duration. It is not well to try to evaluate, by class of people, such as all soldiers against all CIO members, or Air Corps or Infantry, or 4F's and married women, to determine who does the most to win the war. It leads to senseless arguments, like "If I didn't make this bullet where would the combat soldier be?" This is demagogery and a crime to significance and truth. Ability and capability are at any one time, in an individual, existent to some degree and form; it is there, that is all. Take four people, A can't do anything, B can guard a defense plant, C can do a skilled job in the plant, and D can knock a sniper off a tree at a thousand yards. All, or each, operate at 80 per cent of their capability and ability. Who does the most to win the war? You can't tell, can you? Except A, whose efforts nobody need depend on, none of these four, individually, can do more to win the war, outside of his respective 20 per cent gap. You can't evaluate this way. Instead, get your answer not by evaluating what is done but by evaluating what each one gives up. There is the key to anybody's contribution to the war, if you are to compare by individuals. You may say, wait, a worker who makes 10 bullets while another makes 5 contributes more to the war effort, surely. I say he doesn't, that if it is as easy for him to make 10 as the other to make 5, they contribute equally."

MRS. W. HENRY HILL,
Washington, Dec. 13.

Cacophony

How much "absenteeism" is due simply to the neighbors' radio?

You come in at night pretty well frazzled by a hard day's work and the traffic struggle, to be greeted by several blasts from the windows of various neighbors, just as efficient in their way as buzz-bombs—they merely take longer to finish you off.

Doors slam all night and we mean slam; the girl upstairs spends the evening moving furniture, knocking off just before 1 a. m. after throwing in an hour's repair work around midnight; a party or a fight—it's hard to tell which—breaks up in the wee hours, to the accompaniment of two or three dozen loud giggling farewells, the family next door tramps around in hobnail boots for hours and finally throws down an armload of China to emphasize the point.

We seem to remember that this situation did not grow up with the war, through undoubtedly the help shortage has made it more difficult to keep managers and superintendents on the premises.

Probably a set of rules posted conspicuously in lobbies and hallways of apartments and rooming houses would help somewhat in warning those who apparently haven't been brought up or learned of their own accord to keep noise subdued to a decent level out of consideration for others. (After all they might wish the compliment returned some time.)

GOVERNMENT CLERK.
Washington, Dec. 14.

Atlantic Charter

By Mark Sullivan

History Repeats

IT DOES NOT matter, much, that the Atlantic Charter was not actually signed by President Roosevelt and Prime Minister Churchill when they first composed it and gave it to the world in August, 1941. It matters somewhat, but only technically, that at the time the charter was given out an impression was created that it bore the signatures, of Mr. Roosevelt and Mr. Churchill.

But dismiss all that. The charter has been subscribed to again and again and again, literally on three occasions. It was affirmed by the 26 United Nations in a formal declaration in Washington in January, 1942. It was subscribed to by the United States, Great Britain, Russia and China in a joint declaration in Moscow last year. It was agreed to in the treaty of mutual assistance signed by Russia and Britain in London after Russia became involved in the war.

It is a fact that portions of the Atlantic Charter are violated by the granting to Russia, at this time and under the circumstances, of Polish territory. The violation is by Russia with Britain formally assenting. The degree to which our Government assents is made uncertain by vagueness of phraseology and disputed interpretations of attitude. Other portions of the Atlantic Charter, and the spirit of it, seem to be violated by other actions or contemplated actions.

THROUGHOUT all this there is a reality. It can be taken completely for granted that Mr. Churchill and the British people would prefer that the present cession of Polish territory to Russia be not made. It is certain the American Government and people don't like the cession.

Why, then, do they assent? It is because Russia wants it. And the other two feel it is inexpedient to put themselves in opposition to what Russia wants. Britain and the United States are yielding to necessity. Their assent is a sacrifice of an ideal to a practical condition.

The most unfortunate consequence is the effect on the public opinion, more accurately the mass emotion, of the peoples of the world, especially the people of the United States. Our people took the Atlantic Charter with the utmost seriousness. Many were in a mood of exaltation about it. To such, seeing the Atlantic Charter violated is another disillusionment, one more in a long series.

IT IS A repetition of the faith people put in President Wilson's aspirations, "the war to make the world safe for democracy," and the disillusion that followed. There have been, during the past 30 years, many such cases of a faith placed in phrases, aspirations and institutions, followed by disillusionment—"the war to end all wars," the League of Nations, the treaties for the limitation of armament, the Kellogg-Briand pact; and especially the extreme neutrality laws adopted by us during the late 1930's, in a spirit of pacifism which thought that by rigid neutrality we could keep ourselves immune from war. These experiences of emotional faith followed by emotional disillusionment are the chief cause of the world's sickness.

Some lessons may be salvaged. One is, that statesmen and governments should be careful about making promises or implying them or holding out expectations. They should remember that peoples tend to read more into promises than actually is in them, and that the measure of a promise is what the beneficiary, or the people, think, even mistakenly, it contains. The people, on their part, should be careful to look upon proposals with reason, not emotion. There is an example ahead of us. The Dumbarton Oaks proposal for an international organization to prevent war will receive a chill from what has happened to the Atlantic Charter. If the chill does no more than take this proposal out of the world of emotion, and into the world of cool reason, we may benefit by it. The attempt at an international peace organization must be made. It will be the better made if it is made in a spirit of sure-footed examination of the workability of its details.

U. S. Role

The crisis in Italy is due mainly to the maneuvers of Churchill in support of the House of Savoy. This is in contradiction to the pledges given to the Italian people and others, that the peoples of all countries shall have governments of their own choice and that such governments shall be recognized provided its administration is entrusted to the hands of leaders well known to be of anti-Fascist and anti-Nazi views.

Criticism is also directed at President Roosevelt because of the belief that he should not stand by idly and do nothing about the procedure of his colleagues who, in substance, are each maneuvering to obtain as large spheres of influence as possible.

IGNATIUS GERACI.
Washington, Dec. 8.

Nelson B. Bell About the Showshops

Mild Humor Prevails On Screen at Earle; Nice Revue on Stage

IT IS AN INNOCUOUS and moderately amusing film play that Paramount has derived from the printed collaboration of Cornelia Otis Skinner and Emily Kimbrough, which between book covers bore the same name that it does on the screen, "Our Hearts Were Young and Gay."

As adapted to the cameras by Sheridan Gibney, directed by Lewis Allen and revealed yesterday for the first time in Washington at the Earle Theater, this subject takes on the dual complexion of an interesting travelogue and a mildly provocative recital of the first adventure abroad of two young girls, fresh out of Bryn Mawr.

The whole thing is pitched back into the era of the early '20s and has its inception in the apparent snub of Cornelia Otis Skinner when the football hero of the day, someone known by the name of Avery Moore, seems to be less than wild about her at a school pom.

It comes out that he is off to Europe in practically no time at all. Miss Skinner and Miss Kimbrough decide that they will be, likewise—and on the same boat. And that is the way it evolves.

Innocents Abroad

From that point on, the picture resolves itself into a recital of what befalls two young girls having their first fling at foreign lands. The major episodes, such as they are, develop in London and Paris.

The girls get themselves into a surprising number of embarrassing predicaments, including a night on a high ledge of the Notre Dame Cathedral, and then get back to their hotel just in time to be involved in one of the lustiest brawls any film would ever care to boast.

Being reasonably familiar with Cornelia Otis Skinner's gay writings—apart from her una-dramas for the stage—and knowing something of Miss Kimbrough's literary accomplishments, I have a vagrant notion that "Our Hearts Were Young and Gay" was a more choice peace of reading than it is of dramaturgy.

Even at that, it will suffice very well for Christmas week. It possesses something of the ebullience of youth, a slender thread of romantic interest and a consistently steady flow of comedy that is agreeable without ever attaining the power to knock any spectator out of his pew.

With one exception, the piece has been adequately cast.

Adequately Cast

Gail Russell does an especially amiable job in the role of Cornelia Otis Skinner, and Diana Lynn is close on her histrionic heels as Emily Kimbrough. The material afforded them by Scenarist Gibney is not alway all that it should be, but with it they do as much as any two others could.

The main basis of my present carp is that Charles Ruggles was cast as Otis Skinner. Mr. Ruggles is an admirable player, whose achievements long have commanded the respect of this department. But he is no more like Otis Skinner than Eisenhower is like Hitler and I find it difficult to account for such flagrant miscasting.

Dorothy Gish is the Mrs. Otis Skinner of the proceedings and comports herself capably in a comparatively minor assignment.

Beulah Bondi, Almar Kruger, James Brown, Bill Edwards and Jean Heather are among the others who contribute to such exhilaration as is to be derived from a film that seems not quite to have attained its goal of approximating the charm of the book. And that is a pure guess, because, as I have said, I haven't read the book.

Lively Stage Bill

The Yuletide stage bill at the Earle is an engaging affair, led off by Carlton Emmy and His Mad Wags, one of the most skillfully contrived dog acts on the boards.

Emmy and his canine comedians are followed by Henri Therrien, robust tenor, who projects his songs with almost operatic impressiveness, and he, in turn, is succeeded by the Carr Brothers, two acrobatic comics whose athleticism is far more intricate and difficult than it looks.

Interspersing all this are the Roxyettes in some of their more interesting precision routines and Jane Clemens, whose songs are climbing to a point of prime importance on all the Earle bills.

Jo Lombardi's orchestra and the usual house features complete a program that will do very nicely for the holiday week without in any sense being what is usually referred to as a "panic."

Churchill Backing Kings, Coffee Says

New York, Dec. 21 (AP).—Representative John M. Coffee (D., Wash.), said tonight "it would appear that Churchill favors bringing back to Italy the House of Savoy, King Peter to Yugoslavia and King George to Greece.

Sir Norman Angell, 1933 Nobel peace prize winner, debating with Coffee and others in Town Hall the subject, "Should the Allies maintain a hands-off policy in liberated countries?" contended that a universal hands-off policy was fraught with many difficulties.

Discussing the Polish question, Angell asked whether we should "proclaim high principles and then make it clear that we are going to just do nothing about them so far as Russia is concerned?"

"Far from helping political morality, that kind of attitude is disastrously destructive of all political sincerity and honesty," Angell said in his prepared address. "Yet that is about what we—especially we liberals this last few weeks—have done. "Both in Britain and the United States the most savage and violent attacks have been concentrated on Churchill as though it were his government that had partitioned Poland, replaced its government, suppressed three republics, banished great sections of their populations to the Arctic. The effect of this concentration of blame upon Churchill and the virtual exoneration of Russia has been to make all but impossible Churchill's task of attempting by negotiating with Poland to save "something from the wreck of Poland."

Coffee said in his prepared address that "the liberated peoples of the world must not be cheated of their opportunity for freedom now" and declared: "No nation should undertake to boss another."

"We, in America, are not fearful of the common people," he said. "We, in America, are not eager to resurrect the effete monarchies of Europe, unless the majority of peoples in the liberated countries insist on the restoration of kings."

Other speakers on the program, broadcast over the blue network (8:30-9:30 p. m. EWT), were authors Frank Kingdon and Jay Allen.

Dr. Kingdon said "it is our business to set peoples free, and then to let them work out their own destinies through the exercise of their freedom."

Allen said "hands-off by one and you'll have hands-on by others."

Army to Suspend Draft, Christmas And New Year's

The Army will suspend its draft induction machinery for Christmas and again for New Year's.

The War Department announced yesterday that on December 24 and 25 and again on December 31 and January 1 "there will be no preinduction physical examinations, no inductions of Selective Service registrants and no transfer" of inductees to their stations.

Show Time

STAGE

National—"Cherry Orchard," at 8:30 p. m.

Gayety—Burlesque at 12, 2:30, and 8:30 p. m.

SCREEN

Capitol—"Kismet," at 11 a. m., 1:45, 4:30, 7:15 and 9:55 p. m. Stage shows at 1:10, 3:55, 6:40 and 9:25 p. m.

Earle—"Our Hearts Were Young and Gay," at 11:15 a. m., 1:50, 4:30, 7:10 and 9:55 p. m. Stage shows at 1:15, 3:55, 6:35 and 9:20 p. m.

Metropolitan—"Brazil," at 11 a. m., 1:05, 3:15, 5:25, 7:35 and 9:45 p. m.

RKO-Keith's—"Woman in the Window," at 11:35 a. m., 1:35, 3:35, 5:35, 7:35 and 9:35 p. m.

Palace—"And Now Tomorrow," at 11 a. m., 1:10, 3:20, 5:30, 7:40 and 9:50 p. m.

Columbia — "Maisie Goes to Reno" at 11:40 a. m., 1:30, 3:30, 5:30, 7:35 and 9:35 p. m.

Little—"Top Hat," at 11:10 a. m., 1:20, 3:25, 5:25, 7:30 and 9:40 p. m.

Pix—"Private Life of Henry VIII," at 2:10, 5:15, 8:25 p. m. "Ghost Goes West," at 3:45, 6:50 and 10 p. m.

Trans-Lux — Newsreels and shorts, at 10:15 and 11:30 a. m., 12:45, 2, 3:15, 4:30, 5:45, 7, 8:15, 9:30 and 10:45 p. m.

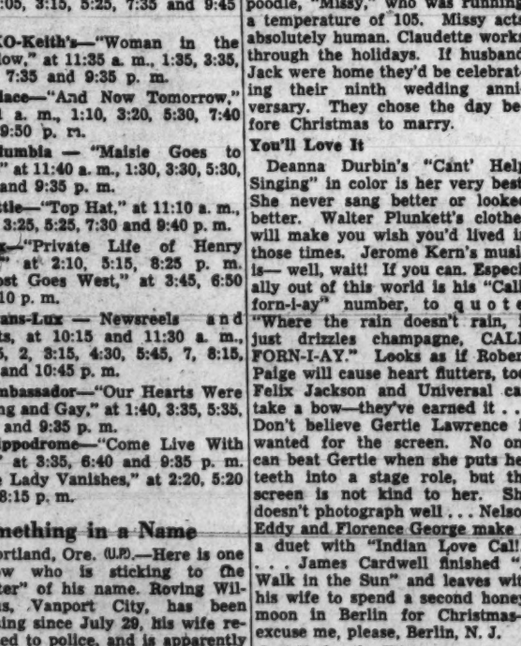
Ambassador—"Our Hearts Were Young and Gay," at 1:40, 3:35, 5:35, 7:30 and 9:35 p. m.

Hippodrome—"Come Live With Me," at 3:35, 6:40 and 9:35 p. m. "The Lady Vanishes," at 2:20, 5:20 and 8:15 p. m.

Something in a Name

Portland, Ore. (U.P.).—Here is one fellow who is sticking to the "letter" of his name. Roving Williams, Vanport City, has been missing since July 29, his wife reported to police, and is apparently roving somewhere in his blue 1937 Ford sedan, license unknown to her.

Bridge



Off the Record

By Ed Reed

"I have no trouble recognizing my husband—I had him wear one black and one white shoe."

HEDDA HOPPER

'Midnight' in Mexico!

Hollywood, Calif., Dec. 21.—"Masquerade in Mexico" is a remake of "Midnight," with Mexican background. George Rigaud, who's been playing in South American pictures for five years and was brought back here by Lester Cowan to play opposite Garbo in that Norwegian film she didn't do, gets his best role. . . . Dana Andrews won't resign with Sam Goldwyn or Twentieth Century. He aims to free lance. If he gets the right parts he'll be a top bet for 1945. . . . Zoe Akins sailed into me at Lucey's, asked if I'd play the lead in "Plans for Tomorrow" which she's putting on in Pasadena. Wish I could. The ham in me is beginning to sizzle. . . . Steve Crane finally worked his way 'round to Deanna Durbin, but cheer up—nothing will come of it. . . . Richard Dix starts his twentieth year in films with the third "Whistler" picture. Dix has the last laugh on C. B. De Mille, who told him 20 years ago that he'd never make an actor.

GERTRUDE LAWRENCE

Practicing Lullabies

Virginia O'Brien and Kirk Alyn's baby is expected in June. Virginia gets a chance to do a couple of songs in "Harvey Girls" before then . . . Sammy Cahn and Jules Styne's "I'll Walk Alone" got itself nominated for an academy award. . . . Sam Wood has a camera crew shooting in Grand Central Station in New York for background shots in "Guest Wife." I visited set of that picture, ran into Dick Foran, who tells me Jack Skirball has signed him up for five years, which is the best news of his life . . . Claudette Colbert, between comedy scenes, was carrying her French poodle, "Missy," who was running a temperature of 105. Missy acts absolutely human. Claudette works through the holidays. If husband Jack were home they'd be celebrating their ninth wedding anniversary. They chose the day before Christmas to marry.

You'll Love It

Deanna Durbin's "Cant' Help Singing" in color is her very best. She never sang better or looked better. Walter Plunkett's clothes will make you wish you'd lived in those times. Jerome Kern's music is— well, wait! If you can. Especially out of this world is his "Californ-i-ay" number, to quote: "Where the rain doesn't rain, it just drizzles champagne, CALIFORN-I-AY." Looks as if Robert Paige will cause heart flutters, too. Felix Jackson and Universal can take a bow—they've earned it . . . Don't believe Gertie Lawrence is wanted for the screen. No one can beat Gertie when she puts her teeth into a stage role, but the screen is not kind to her. She doesn't photograph well . . . Nelson Eddy and Florence George make it a duet with "Indian Love Call." . . . James Cardwell finished "A Walk in the Sun" and leaves with his wife to spend a second honeymoon in Berlin for Christmas—excuse me, please, Berlin, N. J.

Just Under the Wire

Got on "Duffy's Tavern" set as last big number with all the stars in it was being canned. Place was the cellar set of "Going My Way," with Bing Crosby dressed as he was in that, sitting at the piano, and stars done up as bratty kids. Sonny Tufts looked the toughest in a green and yellow sweater that screamed at you. Betty Hutton was in a pink kid's dress above the knees, her hair topped by a great pink bow. When the scene was over, she plunked herself down beside the visiting army. Cass Daley, pigtails flying, told about bouquet o' dimes she's sending me for the March of Dimes week. Dianna Lynn tried to look like a cat in the song, "Swinging on a Star."

LEONARD LYONS

Broadway Bulletins

The Senate War Investigating Committee is heading for New York City for a session which will expose a surplus property scandal more shocking than the Waxey Gordon revelations . . . Margaret Sullavan, who left the cast of "Voice of the Turtle" Saturday and is being replaced by Betty Field, insists that this is her farewell from the theater . . . Cobina Wright, sr., is joining a USO unit entertaining overseas . . . For the first time in his long political career, Jim Farley lost an election bet and paid off last week. He lost to Herbert Bayard Swope. . . . Lady Furness canceled her return to England. She can't get transportation.

MARGARET SULLAVAN

James Waterman Wise, lecturing in Boston, heard a Brahmin declare: "I believe in the Fatherhood of God, the Brotherhood of Man, in the Vicinity of Boston" . . . David O. Selznick probably will bid highest for the screen rights of Mrs. Enrico Caruso's forthcoming biography of her husband. Mrs. Caruso's first choice for the Caruso film role is Orson Welles . . . Herbert Gaston, Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, is resigning to return to private business. He will be succeeded by Richard Nasey of St. Louis, a friend of Bob Hannegan . . . Archibald MacLeish's appointment as Assistant Secretary of State is being attacked by a group who insist that his appointment is a Frankfurter-inspired move. Mr. Justice Frankfurter knew nothing about it.

Beatrice Lillie was at St. Martin's in London when a time bomb dropped nearby and imbedded itself in a deep crater. The neighborhood was cleared quickly, and a detonation expert was lowered, by rope, to the bottom of the pit. Two of his assistants, who operated the rope tied to the expert, suddenly felt the rope being yanked twice—a signal for them to pull him up quickly . . . They hurriedly raised the detonation expert, then asked him: "Is it about to go off? Couldn't you detonate it?" . . . "Oh, no," the expert gasped. It's just that there's a bloody great rat down there."

Ingrid Bergman's next movie will be "Daybreak," in which she'll costar with Joseph Cotten. Fritz Lang will direct it. . . . Struve Hensel, now general counsel to the Navy Department, will become Assistant Secretary of the Navy. Hensel is from Milbank, Tweed. . . . Announcement of an Al Smith memorial will be made shortly. The committee already has been selected. . . . Tallulah Bankhead probably will sign a contract to do a Broadway play this week. . . . The American Contemporary Art catalogue for November has on its cover a picture of Joseph Stella's "Gas Tank." This painting by the noted American artist is reproduced upside down.

Hugo Butler, the scenarist, told some producers that the history of a Hollywood script is like that of a bull in a bull ring: When it first emerges into public view, producer-audience applauds and says "Swell!" Then, as when the picador makes the first slash, the script gets its first cut, and the producer-audience applauds. Then, as when the bandilleros draw more blood by thrusting their bandillos into the bull, the script is slashed again, and again there is applause. . . . The final thrust is made, and the bull dies. The producer-audience applauds. And when the script, like the bull, is dead and stinking, there are "Bravos!" But that's where the similarity ends. The bull is dragged away. But the dead and stinking script? That's what they make into a film.

Elia Kazan may direct the play written by his wife, from whom he is estranged . . . Robert Irwin, the mad sculptor now at Dannemora after he pleaded guilty to the Easter Sunday triple murder, has written to friends that what he wants for Christmas is a diary which will last a lifetime . . . Lewis Milestone, the director, and Robert Rossen, the screenwriter, have formed a Capra-Riskin type of partnership. They'll do the movie version of Albert Maltz' book, "The Cross and the Arrow" . . . Mayor LaGuardia said last week: "I always voted for Senator Wagner. He never voted for me. Who knows? Maybe we were both right."

The presidency of Freedom House, the post vacated by Dorothy Thompson, is expected to be filled by Dr. Harry Gideonse or Herbert Agar. . . . That unfortunate society girl now out on bail following a number of jewel thefts in prominent Long Island and Manhattan homes will plead guilty this week. . . . Ed Prichard, counsel to Judge Vinson, has reduced 80 pounds to date, after the doctors warned him that his 300-pound weight was dangerous. Billy Rose, remembering the many stories about Prichard's weight, asked him: "What will happen to the Prichard legend?" The lawyer replied: "It became a question of the legend continuing and my disappearing, or the legend disappearing and my continuing."

Clifton Webb has $100,000 per picture offers, as a result of his performance in "Laura." Webb, ignored by Hollywood for many years, got the "Laura" role because of a meeting between Felix Ferry, the agent, and Otto Ludwig Preminger, who directed the film. Ferry suggested Webb for the role. Preminger agreed, and then Ferry phoned the actor. "Have you an agent?" he asked Webb, who said, "No." Ferry said: "You have now," and signed Webb for the picture. . . . Last night Tallulah Bankhead told of inviting a Scot to see her perform in Thornton Wilder's "The Skin of Our Teeth." When she asked him how he had liked the show he confessed: "When I didn't understand it I liked it a lot. When I did understand it I didn't like it at all."

When Noel Coward was here last, Ben Hecht asked him: "When did you first become aware of Noel Coward, the unique, ultrasophisticated Coward?" Coward said it happened when he and Gertrude Lawrence completed a vaudeville tour at $40 a week. They scrimped, saved a little, and decided to spend it all in one night's elegant spree. They bought fancy clothes and went to the most elegant cafe in London. There Coward noticed that he was the only one in the room wearing white socks. "I found that I no longer could trust my instincts," said Coward. "And I decided that I must find out what people think and do."

Bill, Signed, Authorizes Naval Ordnance Increase

President Roosevelt signed legislation yesterday authorizing a 50-million-dollar expansion in naval ordnance production facilities.

The House Appropriations Committee said in its report on the measure that increased requirements of the Army Air Service for rocket air bombs would exhaust previous authorizations for new facilities.

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This Morning

—With Shirley Povich

Within the past week, the enews hasn't been good for baseball. The War Department and the War Manpower people have announced they are ready to crack down on draft-age men who aren't directly contributing to the war effort, and that goes for 4-F's in unessential occupations.

POVICH

There has been oodles of praise for baseball as a morale factor both for the troops and war workers, and even the White House has cited the game as an important recreation and relaxation medium. But no officialdom has yet gone so far as to term baseball "essential," and the game can scarcely escape the tightening of the manpower program.

Baseball will survive, of course, because there will be enough rejectees to man the teams, but league baseball in 1945 threatens to be even a less glorified calibre of minor league ball than last season. It's pretty well agreed that the St. Louis Browns, who won the 1944 pennant, would not have finished in the first division in a normal year.

The War Department has proclaimed its need for more men for the armed forces and instructed the Selective Service System to re-examine all 4-F's between the ages of 18 and 37, with a view toward inducting all men of less severe ailments. Under such scrutiny, many of baseball's 4-F's may be reclassified.

It was with an entire 4-F infield that the Browns won the pennant last year, for example. First Baseman George McQuinn, Second Baseman Don Gutteridge, Shortstop Vernon Stephens and Third Baseman Mark Christman were all deferred for physical ailments. However, as we were saying, the War Department is ready to lower its sandards.

The latest announcement was that starting in January, the Nation's draft boards would be called upon to increase their product for the Army from 60,000 monthly to 80,000, and that means scraping the bottom of the manpower barrel perhaps. That order went out, incidentally, before the Germans started their drive through Belgium and the present situation is even more critical.

It's a two-pronged threat to depopulate baseball's playing ranks, in fact. Along with the War Department orders came the pronouncement of War Manpower Boss James Byrnes, telling draft boards to recheck all cases where men have "jumped" essential industry for other occupations. There have been cases of ball players who have given up war jobs to play ball.

The new orders are bound to discourage returning to baseball players who have been holding war jobs in the off season. Many of them do hold 4-F cards, but with the rescrutiny of such cases, the threat of induction is great.

Pro football is in the same boat. Like baseball, it drew its talent from among the 4-F's and deferred ranks. Football, a weekend game, could get away with part time players to a greater degree than baseball. There were some, notably on the Cleveland Indians, who attempted to play part time baseball, but with no great success.

There was another order during the past fortnight that boded no good for big time sports. That was the War Department announcement saying that the Army had orders to go slow in giving discharges for medical reasons, or otherwise, to nationally famous personalities. There had been much criticism in the wake of such discharges.

Thus such as Joe DiMaggio, who had been hospitalized, and who it was reported, would be given a discharge, now can anticipate no early return to baseball.

DiMaggio, and others of big earning capacity who might have been discharged, are thus the victims of their own fame, in a sense. The little man gets a better break.

On the Line

—With CONSIDINE

New York, Dec. 21.—Before the first Los Angeles sports writer goes cute on his customers and writes a piece about the Rose Bowl-bound Tennessee football team, in Southern dialogue, let him first look at the rigat side of the Tennessee line.

CONSIDINE

It comes clean from the magnolia-scented streets of romantic old Bridgeport, Conn.

Right End Charlie Wilson, 195 pounds, was captain of Central High School, of Bridgeport, two years ago. Right Tackle Bob Dobelstein, 200-pound altetrnate captain of the Lookouts, was a year ahead of Wildman at Central High. His towering 16-year-old brother, Russ, Tennessee's right guard, is the youngest player ever to appear in the Rose Bowl. He couldn't make the first team at Central High, but became the youngest varsity player Tennessee ever had.

Yes, and the referee of the Rose Bowl game will be Johnny Lynch, former halfback at Holy Cross and a long-time resident of dreamy, banjo-twanging Bridgeport.

The sports fans of Bridgeport have chipped in and are sending Central High's coach, Eddie Reilly, to see the game—and the burly youngsters he taught to play football.

If the Bridgeport boys develop a drawl they'll have to do it the way of one Southeastern fullback, from Scranton, gained his: By drinking corn out of Dixie cups.

The letter comes late, because it had to come from the South Pacific, and before it arrived the New York Boxing Writers had already made their nomination for the man to receive the Edward J. Neil Memorial Trophy. (Benny Leonard.) But it's worth printing. It's from Marine Col. Heinie Miller, former president of the National Boxing Association:

"By this time the New York writers will soon be getting around to selecting the man who has done the most for boxing during the year," the colonel writes.

"Without a doubt, in my mind that honor should go to Abe J. Greene of Paterson, N. J., president of the NBA. Abe has done a job of heroic proportions in keeping the game going in many States. He has untangled messes in a number of States. He has worked hard to keep boxing going over these lean years.

"The respect and esteem he enjoys nationally is best reflected by the fact that the NBA broke all precedents and amnded its by-laws to keep Abe in office for the duration. Normally one term is the limit.

"To an NBA president come full rations of headaches, criticisms and the usual fare that goes to boxing administrators. His is the largest boxing administrative body in the world. His very presence in the game proves that there are ideals and sportsmanship in professional boxing, despite all you hear.

"Boxing costs him considerable money each year. He served without salary. He has no ax to grind. I don't think anyone is close to him as the boxing man of the year from a national standpoint."

We've never credited pompous William Woodward, chairman of the Jockey Club and owner of the Belair Stud, with any more of a sense of humor than one of Peter Arno's stiff-shirted old clubmen. But the throwaway sheet of the Thoroughbred Racing Associations carries a homely little story which Woodward tells:

Th eracing Brahmin once asked an elderly colored stable hand whice he would prefer for Christmas; a load of wood of a quart of whisky.

The groom replied, "Well, Mr. Woodward, suh, ah burns wood."

That sweet old guy, Connie Mack ,who makes Tennyson's Brook look like a stagnant mud pudnle, will be 82 Saturday. He gave out his annual statement today, saying "Watch out, the A's may spring a surprise next year," and though nobody has taken this gentle promise seriously since Mack had to sell his 1929-1931 stars, it's always good to hear. Gives you a kind of clean feeling to know that the fine old gentleman is still around, still in baseball, still dreaming like a young man.

Short of peace, we can't think of anything that would please more people in the United States than to see Connie Mack win another pennant. We talk of beloved figures in this or that profession, or sport, but Mack tops them all—one of the truly outstanding Americans of not only our time but our fathers' time.

Holman's 'Home Folks' Reported Selling Fast

A brisk sale was reported yesterday at Brentano's and the Fairway Sportings Goods Co. as "Home Folks," the book of verse written by sports publicist Joe Holman, was placed on sale.

The book of 64 pages is attractively bound in holiday green and has an orange cover.

The verses cover topics of the day, the war, the sports field and some human interest.

It is the third book of Holman, who has resided in Washington since 1921. The others were "Frackle Face" and "My Town."

Champs Fly High

Cardinals' Fielders Tops In National

By Jack Hand

New York, Dec. 21 (AP).—Individual and team fielding records of the St. Louis Cardinals could be subbed for the National League official averages released today, and with three exceptions the leaders would be identical.

WALTERS

Only Woody Williams of the Reds (.971) at second base breaks the Red Birds' infield domination. Al Lopez of the Pirates (.984) tops the catchers and Bucky Walters of the Reds (1.000) is the best fielding pitcher but all other laurels go to the World Chaps.

Ray Sanders at first base (.994), Marty Marion at short (.971) and Whitey Kurowski at third (.965) give the Cards' three-fourths of an all-star fielding inner circle and Johnny Hopp who made only one error (.997) tops the regular outfielders.

As a team Billy Southworth's gang set a new major league mark at .982 and a similar record for fewest errors at 112. Both previous standards were held by Cincinnati of 1940.

Endurance marks hold more interest than bare averages this year, especially Ray Mueller's feat of catching every Cincinnati contest, 155, and stretching his consecutive game streak with the help of a holdove 62 from last year to 217, unmatched in either circuit.

By catching 115 games Lopez tied Gabby Hartnett's feat of being behind the plate in 100 or more games for 12 seasons.

Damon Phillips of the Braves set a new major league mark for third basemen as the result of 11 assists against New York on August 29.

Browns Rated No. 1 Comeback Team of '44

New York, Dec. 21 (AP).—St. Louis Browns failed to triumph in their first World Series but they are making a virtual monopoly of The Associated Press' year-end poll.

Their newest honor is the designation as 1944's No. 1 comeback. Previously the American League champions were selected as having given sportsdom its No. 1 surprise and also had shown considerable strength in the race for the No. 1 flop title because of their failure in the series.

Eighty-seven sports editors throughout the country participated in the poll to find the No. 1 comeback team.

Twenty voted for the Browns and seven others ranked the club either second or third. The voters were particularly impressed by the Browns' sweep of the season's final four games with the New York Yankees to annex their first title.

Sam Snead's successful return to the golden golf campaigns was voted second place and Charley Grimm's management of the Chicago Cubs was third in the opinion of the scribes.

The table of the individual or teams mentioned in the balloting:

St. Louis Browns (baseball) (20)	71
Sam Snead (golf) (10)	56
Charley Grimm, Chicago Cubs (6)	27
Duke (football) (6)	20
Dick Wakefield (baseball) (3)	19
Notre Dame (football) (5)	17
Hal Newhouser (baseball) 4)	15
Utah (basketball) (4)	14
Frankie Parker (tennis) (2)	14
Tennessee (football) (4)	13

The second ten—Navy football (2), 12; Detroit Tigers, baseball (2), 9; Patty Berg, golf (1) 8; Ben Chapman, baseball (1), 7; Denny Galehouse, baseball (1), 7; Ken Strong, football (1), 7; Philadelphia Eagles, football (1), 6; Nelson Potter, baseball (1), 6; Henry Armstrong, boxing, 6; Mike Kreevich, baseball (1), 5.

Single first-place votes went to Pitcher Dizzy Trout, Wisconsin's football team, Babe Dahlgren, General Manager Bob Carleton of St. Paul's Baseball Club, George Stirnweiss, Jeep Mehaffey of Michigan's football team, Don Gutteridge, Lew Jenkins, Navy Coach Oscar Hagberg, Brooklyn's Dixie Walker and the Yale and Army football teams.

Lions Face Rovers Sunday; McLeod Expected Today

Rod McLeod, ane-eyed winger who formerly skated for the Chicago Blackhawks and who was medically released from the Canadian army recently, is expected to join the Washington Lions here today.

Coach Charley Good last night anounced that he expects to use McLeod against the New York Rovers at Madison Square Garden Sunday and again at Uline Arena next Tuesday night at 8:30 o'clock.

The Lionns skated through a vigorous workout at Uline Arena yesterday and after the drill Good declared they were in better physical condition that at any time since early season.

Five defense men are now available, namely, Jimmy Wilson, Tony orn, John Kusmaski, Hank Nicowski and Harvey McClelland. The kid line of Nick Phillips, center, and Frank and Pete Long, wingers, wil remain intact. The speed line to be used against the Rovers will start Al Percival at center and Al Smith and either McLeod or Jack McIntyre on the wings.

Warden Makes 'Quick Kill' and Pleases Wife

Hammonton, N. J., Dec. 20 (AP).—Section Fire Warden John L. Conover told his wife he was going deer hunting

"Be back in a half hour," Mrs. Conover warned, "I'm not going to hold breakfast."

In 28 minutes Conover returned with a four-pronged buck.

Many Shifts Seen Among Grid Coaches

By Harold Claassen

New York, Dec. 21 (AP).—Three colleges have obtained new football coaches in the past two weeks but that turnover will be regarded as strictly slow motion if all the rumored changes take place before the 1945 kickoff.

Carl Snavely, Charles Caldwell and John Degrosa are the tria of tutors who changed recently. Snavely left Cornell to return to North Carolina, Caldwell quit Williams for Princeton and Degrosa moved up at Holy Cross.

Cornell's athletic board meets tomorrow to start its hunt for a successor to Snavely and names mentioned included Lefty James, Snavely's assistant, and Elton Weiman, former Princeton mentor.

Williams' Job Still Open

The Williams job still is open. Caldwell's rst action at Princeton was to hire Wesley Fesler, one-time Ohio State great and more recently head man of all sports at Wesleyan.

The Wesleyan position hasn't been filled and neither has that at Fordham, where Lieut. Comdr. James Crowley has entered pro football. Duquesne and Manhattan College, two other schools who lost their coaches to the pros, also are in the market for replacements.

Rumors persist that Andy Kerr and Bill Alexander, vetreans at Colgate and Georgia Tech, respectively, will retire soon and of a possible change at Maryland University, where Doc Spears is reported unhappy.

Dartmouth will lose Earl Brown to the service before the next grid campaign during which Vanderbilt returns to full-time Southeast Conference competition after two seasons of the informal variety. McNeil Bartling tutored the informal Commodores but Lieut. H. R. (Red) Sanders may be released from the Navy in time to guide the 1945 eleven.

Bierman Back at Minnesota

Bernie Bierman, late of the Marines, will be back at the Minnesota helm next fall but Midwestern reports say that Slip Madigan, formerly of St. Mary's and who filled in at Iowa the past two seasons, may be at Detroit University on a permanent basis next fall.

The same reports hint that Northwestern alumni aren't too happy with the Wildcat record of recent years under Lynn O. (Pappy) Waldorf and that Henry Frnka, bowl-minded Tulsa coach, is being eyed by various pro club owners.

Stanford, which today denied that it was interested in Buck Shaw, is rumored scanning the Fritz Crisler achievements at Michigan. Shaw, once of Santa Clara, has signed to coach the San Francisco club of the all-America pro loop.

In contrast to all the possible changes, John Barnhill has signed a five-year contract to stay at Tennessee. Even if Brig. Gen. Robert Neyland, peacetime coach of the Vols, returns from his war duties, Barnhill will be retained in some capacity.

'Bama 9th SEC Eleven to Play In Sugar Bowl

New Orleans, Dec. 21 (AP).—Alabama's engagement with the Duke Blue Devils in the eleventh annual Sugar Bowl football game will mark the ninth time a Southeastern Conference team has played in New Orleans' New Year's Day classic.

Sugar Bowl policy of selecting the "two best" teams regardless of "section or conference" failed only in 1939 (T. C. U. and Carnegie Tech), and 1942 (Missouri and Fordham) to feature a Southeastern eleven as half the attraction.

Records show that the Southeastern Conference teams are behind in their Sugar Bowling, three wins to five losses. SEC teams having one win each are Tulane, Tennessee and Georgia Tech. Reverses show Louisiana State with three losses ,and Tennessee and Tulane with one setback each.

Far West teams, with four wins, and Texas elevens, with three victories, have perfect records in the Sugar Bowl.

Eastern teams have broken even in four games, while Midwest outfits have won 2 and lost 3.

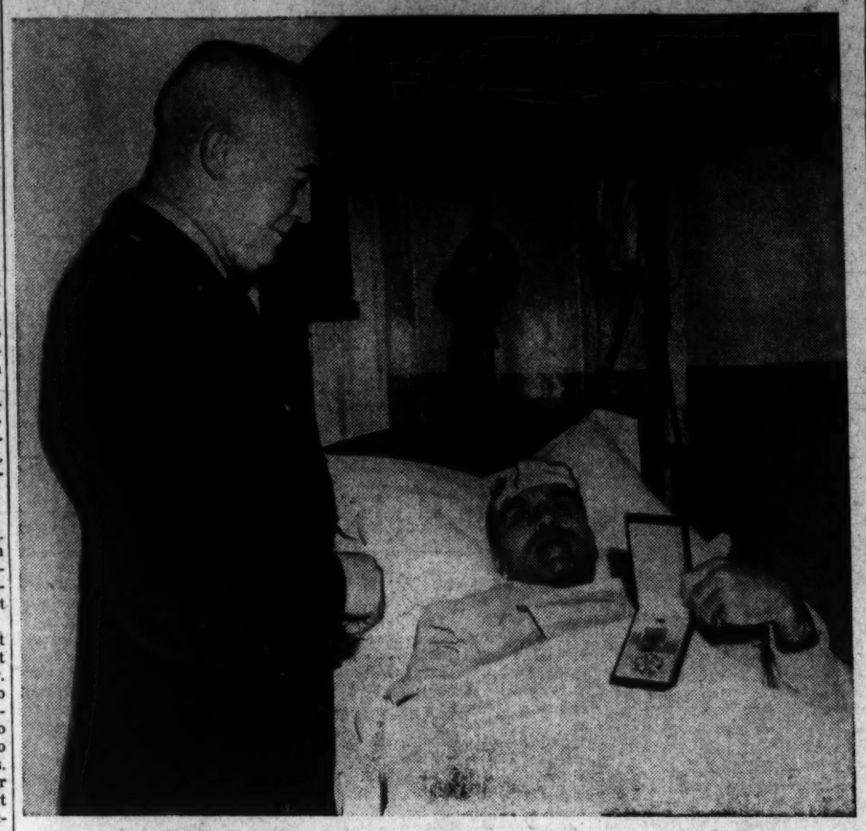
Louisiana State's three games tops the lists in number of Sugar Bowl appearances. Five teams have each made two stands, including T. C. U. and Santa Clara with clean slates, Tulsa with two defeats, Tulane 1-1 and Tennessee 1-1.

1935—Tulane, 20; Temple, 14.
1936—Texas Christian, 3; Louisiana State, 2.
1937—Santa Clara, 21; Louisiana State, 14.
1938—Santa Clara, 6; Louisiana State, 0.
1939—Texas Christian, 15; Carnegie Tech, 7.
1940—Texas A. & M., 14; Tulane, 13.
1947—Boston College, 19; Tennessee, 13.
1942—Fordham, 2; Missouri, 0.
1943—Tennessee, 14; Tulsa, 7.
1944—Georgia Tech, 20; Tulsa, 18.

McNally to Scout For Pro Grid Club

Philadelphia, Dec. 21 (AP).—Vince McNally, assistant football coach at Holy Cross, said today he has signed with San Francisco Club of the All-America Professional Football League to serve as Eastern representative and scout. He "reluctantly" declined an offer to return to Holy Cross, he said.

Blondy Forced to Take Honors Lying Down



U. S. Army Air Force Photo

Gen. Henry H. (Hap) Arnold, commanding general U. S. Army Air Forces, makes a bedside presentation of the Legion of Merit at Walter Reed Hospital to Brig. Gen. Laverne G. (Blondy) Saunders for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services as commanding general of the Twentieth Bomber Command. Gen. Saunders, severely injured while flying between two of his B-29 bases in the CBI, was flown home by the Air Transport Command Evacuation Service. He is the former "Blondie" Saunders, West Point gridiron All-American.

Ever Cautious Alex

Alexander Warns Ga. Tech Against Tulsa's Ruggedness

(This is the seventh of a series on teams in the New Year's Day football bowl games.)

By Al Kuettner

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 21 (U.P.).—As usual, the rag-bag Georgia Tech football team will be the most sartorially inelegant of all the squads to play in the New Year's Day games, but Coach Bill Alexander isn't bothered about dressing up for the Miami carriage trade for the Oange Bowl date with Tulsa's Golden Hurricant.

As a matter of fact he thinks the faded and battered raiment is a symbol of the rough and tumble schedule that his team came through, in which it bowled over Navy in the most spectacular game of the year and topped all of its other nine opponents but Notre Dame and Duke.

It was that 17-to-15 upset over Navy that put the Ramblin' Wreck back into the hearts of the Nation's fans as an amazing team that depends upon a pas, one sure kicking toe and capricious Lady Luck. If that combination holds out, and the odds-makers think it will, the Tech boys should repeat last year's 20-to-18 triumph over Tulsa in the Sugar Bowl.

Alexander Always Cautious

Alexander, as cautious as ever in his silver aniversary year at Tech, repeatedly warns his team that they may have their toughest game ahead against Tulsa, which lost only to a pair of power houses, Oklahoma A. & M. and Iowa Preflight.

"We need ll the practice we can get, and then we'll ned to play our heads off in Miami," he said. "Tulsa is getting to Miami a good two days ahead of us. That means a lot of time to practice, and brother, they have got some good material to practice with."

Tech, like Tulsa, wil feature the single wing offensive with which it will attempt to break loose with its triple reverses, line punching and pin-point passing.

Alexander's starting backfield probably will consist of his "Faithful Four," Johnny McIntosh at quarterback, Allen (Dinky) Bowen and Mickey Logan at halfbacks and Frank (The Red) Broyles at fullback. McIntosh, a Navy transfer from Carnegie Tech usually does the carrying on Tech's famous reverses. Bowen, a freshman carries a double load. His is the unerring kicking toe, and he developed into a speedy runner to fill a crying need in that department. Logan is the lightweight, a 5-foot 6-inch 150-pounder, who learned that the best way to stay away from the big bruising tackles is to outrun them. Broyles is the field general, a calm veteran who fires his passes with tacklers clawing at his heels.

Tinsley Pillar of Line

On the line the pillar is Phil Tinsley, who rated all-America mention at end, but is only a shade superior to George Murdock at the opposite extremity. Both are 6-foot 1-inch antelope-like runners.

Jack Glenn at tackle, a 214-pound charger is the heavyweight, while Deane Gaines, a 205-pounder at the other tackle spot combines heft with mobility. The guards fit perfectly into the Alexander system. Both of them, Maurice Furchgott and Roland Phillip are comparative lightweights at 165 and 185 pounds respectively, but are hard tacklers and line openers.

Ed Holtsinger, a Navy "gift" from Duke, is an expert line backer at center and rarely has made a bad pass to the backfield all year. He is a 185-pounder, 6-footer.

Tech, playing in its sixth bowl game, will leave here in sections, arriving at Miami on December 26. In previous New Year's Day tests, Tech defeated California, 8 to 7, in the 1929 Rose Bowl game, topped Boston College, 19 to 13, in the 1941 Sugar Bowl game, and lost, 14 to 7, in the 1943 Cotton Bowl, prior to last year's game with Tulsa at New Orleans.

Tomorrow—Tulsa.

Postwar Plan

ConnieMack's 'Hall of Fame' At Shibe Park

Philadelphia, Dec. 21 (AP).—Add postwar plans:

A new baseball museum and hall of fame in the tower of Shibe Park—crammed with relics of "Mr. Baseball"—Connie Mack.

It's one of the musts in the soon-after-V-Day program of Roy Mach, Connie's son and protege.

"We have a lot of stuff around here that the fans would like to see, and we'll get more," Roy said.

"I hope to get busts made of dad and the greatest players he's had with the Athletics.

"Did you ever really get a look around dad's office? Gosh, the stuff he has and used to have."

Connie's other son and aide, Earl, opened the door of the old man's sanctum and pointed:

There was a cushioned bench made of bats that bear the signatures of the great in baseball through almost 40 years. . . . A rack containing baseballs autographed by every player of every club in every league in the land. . . . A tobacco-brown ball used in a Brooklyn-Mutual game on August 10, 1882. . . . Another made of coal, a gift from Connie's admirers in the Pennsylvania anthracite region.

Plus scrapbooks on baseball going back to 1871 . . . hand-carved canes with the names of A's greats of other years . . . a bound book of letters from former Commissioner K. M. Landis, major league presidents and all club owners, presented to Connie on Connie Mack night last summer . . . and every baseball guide since the first edition.

Bridgewater, Loyola Pace M-D Cage Loop

The young basketball season neared its 1944 climax in Maryland today with the unbeaten Bainbridge Naval Training Center courtsters firmly ensconced atop all college and service teams, and Loyola and Bridgewater Colleges tied for the Mason-Dixon Conference leadership.

The Bridgewater-Loyola tie at two wins each against no defeats in conference play was sure to endure until 1945 play begins, since neither team plays until after the holidays, while Bainbridge's only remaining 1944 threat was the Camp Bradford Club tonight at Bainbridge.

The Bainbridge Commodores, with six successive victories over service and professional teams, including Norfolk Naval Air Station and Philadelphia (Pro) Sphas, sheped up as easily the best of the Free State field, while Loyola appeared to be the best among the early-starting college quintets.

The University of Maryland, which opened its season last night against Gallaudet, and Navy, which will not start until after the holidays, were not listed, however.

Houff of Bridgewater (Va.) College, continued to pace the individual scores in the Mason-Dixon loop with 35 points in two conference tests, three better than Ross Holcomb of Gallaudet, could garner in four outings.

Mason-Dixon Standings

	W.	L.	F.	OP.
Loyola	2	0	89	78
Bridgewater	2	0	98	62
Gallaudet	2	2	154	170
Washington	1	1	84	73
Johns Hopkins	1	3	145	159
Randolph-Macon	0	1	31	50
Mt. St. Mary's	0	1	35	44

(American U. and Delaware have not played Conference games to date.)

Maryland College-Service Standings

	W.	L.	Pct.
Bainbridge	6	0	1.000
Fort McHenry	1	0	1.000
Loyola	3	2	.600
Washington College	3	3	.250
Johns Hopkins	1	3	.250
Camp Holabird	0	1	.000
Edgewood Arsenal	0	1	.000
Fort Meade	0	1	.000
Reina Mercedes	0	1	.000
Mt. St. Mary's	0	1	.000
Curtis Bay C. G.	0	3	.000

Mason-Dixon Individual Scoring
(Conference games only)

Player and Team.	G	PG	FT	P
Houff,c. Bridgewater	2	16	3	35
Holcomb,f. Gallaudet	2	13	3	29
Cuscaden,f. Gallaudet	4	12	8	32
Bishop,c. Johns Hopkins	4	12	7	31
Gold,f. Johns Hopkins	4	13	5	31
Richards,g. Bridgewater	2	14	0	28
Padden,g. Gallaudet	4	11	3	25
Roche,f. Loyola	2	11	3	25
E.Rook,c. Washington	3	11	2	24

Officials Credit Traffic Court With Greatest Turf Comeback

Miami, Fla., Dec. 21 (AP).—Traffic Court, a failure as a brood mare but a whiz as a runner, won a place today along with the Twilight Tears and the Pavots in a round-up of 1944 turf superlatives compiled by two of the sport's top racing secretaries.

John B. Campbell, secretary at all the New York tracks and a Hialeah race course steward, and Charles J. McLennan, secretary at Pimlico, Garden State, Suffolk Downs and Hialeah, agreed that Miller and Burger's 6-year-old Discovery mare made the greatest comeback.

Kept away from the races for 27 months while she flunked a trial on the breeding farm, Traffic Court was put back into training and scorde eight victories, four of them in stake races, this year.

Other Campbell and McLennan choices:

Best all-around performer—Calumet Farms' Twilight Tear, the horse of the year.

Greatest finish—The triple dead heat in the Carter Handicap at Aqueduct, June 10, when the camera was unable to separate Bossuet, Brownie and Wait-A-Bit. (Campbell, wh ohandicapped the horses for the race, modestly allowed McLennan to make this selection.)

No. 1 training job—B. A. Jones' success with such Calumet performers as Pensive, Twilight Tear, Sun Again, Good Blood and Pot o' Luck.

Best sprinter—McLennan picked Twilight Tear, while Campbell took Greentree Stable's 5-year-old Devil Diver.

Best route—Townsend B. Martin's Bolingbroke.

Hard-luck horse—Alex Barth, the perennial runner-up. The 6-year-old Millbrook Stable horse finished second in eight races, five of them $50,000 stakes.

Biggest surprise—Vienna's victory over Twilight Tear, which closed at 1 to 20, in the Alabama Stakes at Belmont.

Most promising 2-year-old colt—Walter M. Jefford's undefeated Pavot.

Most promising 2-year-old filly—Col. E. R. Bradley's Busher, daughter of War Admiral.

Biggest disapointment—C. V. Whitney's Pukka Gin, the 1943 juvenile sensation which failed as a 3-year-old.

Revive Wins Top; Pays $23 Mutuel

Gulfstream Park, Fla., Dec. 21 (AP). A spectacular spill occurred in the first race here today and three jockeys went down with their mounts. Veteran John (Red) Pollard apparently was the chief victim. Famous as Seabiscuit's rider a few seasons back, Pollard remain prone on the ground until remove in an ambulance. He was rushed to Hollywood Hospital and the extent of his injury was not immediately known, as no time was wasted in getting Pollard off to the hospital.

Pollard's mount, Good Ante, appeared to stumble suddenly while rasing to the first turn in the middle of the pack of 11 platers. Then Count Natural went over him with Jockey Ernest Barber and Yarn Spinner did likewise with Jockey Charles Chaffin. The latter two boys arose almost immediately but Barber eased to the ground again and was taken to first aid quarters, from where it was reported he had escape with slight abrasions. Chaffin was not injured.

Jockey C. Bakhsh, who rode Gallant Dick, did not fall but, during the running, had a foot mashed.

Pollard, born in Butte, Montana, in 1909, has been riding for many years. He drifted out of the picture somewhat when Seabiscuit was retired but had been getting his share of mounts in this sector and faring well enough. Barber is from London, England, but not so well known as Pollard and Chaffin.

The race was won by Revive, which beat the fancied Shadburn by a length to pay $23.90. One Link lost the place by a half length.

Mrs. Lottie Wolf, the Detroit owner who is far in front of all ivals at the meeting, was present to see Romulus carry her fuchsia and purple silks to their second success of the day in the first of the two nominal features, the New Hampshire Purse.

Mrs. Wolf arrived here today. Romulus, like Davitt from the same barn, was ridden by Eddie Yocum. An almost prohibitive choice at $2.80 for $2, Romulus set a new track record of 1:24 4-5 for 7 furlongs, clipping one-fifth from Adventurous' mark.

Fourth to the turn, Romulus then circled the leaders and easily pulled away through the stretch, registering by two lengths. Rush Act took the place, three-quarters of a length before Vanslam.

Later tidings from the hospital on Jockey Pollard advised that the vetran pilot was semiconscious and that no X-ray report would be available until sometime this evening.

Marines Win Cage Title at Bougainville

(Basketball as it is played by American fighting lads in the South Pacific is described in this dispatch by Sergt. Jack Slocum, Marine Combat Correspondent, formerly of the New York Mirror.)

Bougainville (Delayed) (AP).—A Marine air group, lone leatherneck representative in a league that consisted of 18 Army teams, recently completed its season with 48 victories out of 50 starts to win the basketball championship of Bougainville.

After receiving a plaque, emblematic of the title, the local quintet beat another Marine team which held the titles of Green Island and Espiritu Santo, and now they claim the championship of the Solomon Islands, New Hebrides group and Bismarck Archipelago.

Basketball on Bougainville is a serious, difficult and sometimes dangerous pastime. The flattened dirt and coral courts have contributed numerous turned ankle patients to the sick bay. And on one occasion, the shelling of the Japs into our perimeter necessitated the calling of a game at the end of the first half.

Credit for the Marine team's victory is unanimously given to Corpl. Fred G. Campbell, 24, Herrin, Ill., player-manager with eight years of basketball experience. Campbell spent many hours training his players.

"Basketball out here is a ball-handler's game," Corpl. Campbell reports, "and is almost void of good dribbling. You can't dribble a ball in and out of gullies and through mud.

"There are not two similar backboards on the island and they range from wooden boards that are two feet square to banyan trees that feature grooves. On one such court we played all rebounds to the left and not once were they wrong.

"Thte customary leather ball used at home has proved itself useles sout here. It rains nearly every evening and the game can proceed through the downpour when a rubber ball of the same dimensions is employed. Other than being a bit more springy, there is little difference.

"Perhaps the biggest change comes from our playing four eight-minute quarters instead of 20-minute halves. No man alive could keep running for 20 minutes in this climate. We tried it once and didn't play for a week.

The Marine championship squad also includes: Pfc. Edward F. Jachim, New York Mills, N. Y.; Corpl. Ted Heid, Appleton, Wis.; Corpl. Darrel Desbien, Damar, Kan.; Corpl. Alfred R. Anderson, St. Paul, Minn.; Corpl. Robert Altherr, Tipton, Ind.; Sergt. David Hanson, River Falls, Wis., and Staff Sergt. S. L. Smith, Kendallville, Ind.

8 Veterans Back For High Quintet At Shepherdstown

Shepherdstown, W. Va., Dec. 21. Eight of the 1943-1944 squad, four of whom played regular first-string positions and the remainder often-used substitutes, will form the nucleus of Shepherdstown High's Red and White basketball team this year, which, on the basis of pre-season looks, seems to rank well up among the Eastern Panhandle teams.

Twenty-five candidates reported to Coach Kenny Waldeck, and to this will be added at least one other — George Knott, veteran guard and excellent shot, who will be eligible during the second semester.

Returning and ready for play again are Captain-Elect Fred Newcome, Bubby Osbourn, Meredith Miller and Buddy Robinson from the first stringers; Allan Day, Gardner Welshans and Franklin Fuss, who were promising second-stringers last year. Others reporting for play include Robert Gano, George Knott, Kenneth Anders, Emmert Moler, J. Strider Moler, Raymond Byers, Wayne Byers, Johnny Lowe, Harry Blackford, Junior McKee, Johnny Johnson, Jack Knott, Charles Billmyer, Jiles Snyder, Roger Shriver, Junior Wright, Jack Boyd, Bill Blackford is manager.

The schedule:

January 9, Hedgesville (W. Va.) at home; 17, Berkeley Springs (W. Va.) at home; 19, Charles Town (W. Va.) at home; 23, Hagerstown Md.) at home; 26, Harpers Ferry (W. Va.) at home; 30, Hedgesville, away.

February 2, Handley of Winchester, Va., away; 9, Handley at home; 13, Martinsburg, away; 16, Berkeley Springs, away; 20, Hagerstown (Md.) at home; 26, Harpers Ferry (W. pers Ferry, away.

March 2, Martinsburg at home.

Tinker Reported 'Resting Better'

Orlando, Fla., Dec. 21 (AP).—Joe Tinker, part of the famous "Tinker to Evers to Chance" major league double play combination, now under observation at Owens General Hospital here, was reported today to be "resting comfortably."

Tinker, now 64, entered the hospital Tuesday for the second time this year. Last January he was critically ill for several weeks and for a time was placed under an oxygen tent, but recovered.

He began his major league career in 1902 with the Chicago Cubs, and later managed that club and Cincinnati, as well as several minor league teams.

In 1937 he formed a baseball school here with Joe Stripp, another former major leaguer.

Woodberry Forest Site Of AAU Mat Tourney

Woodberry Forest, Dec. 21 (AP).—The 1945 National AAU Junior Wrestling Championship Tournament will in all probability be held at Woodberry Forest School this year, Joe Mercer, a member of the Tiger coaching staff announced today.

"There is nothing definite on the tournament yet," Mercer said, "but there is a strong possibility we will sponsor it."

The Woodberry matmen competed in the National AAU senior event last April in Baltimore and acquitted themselves commendably.

Gulfstream

Entries

1—¾; $1000; maiden 3-year-olds up.

Gamboleer	118	Opesa	113
One Century	116	Dive Bomber	113
Foxy Prince	111	Peace Bells	108
Jetta T.	113	Knox Hill	116
Task Force	116	Wee Bart	111
Viejo	116		

2—3½; $1000; 2-year-olds; claiming.

Miss Economy	109	Red Figure	107
Bridle Bar	109	Hot Night	112
Jr. O'Sullivan	112	Dream Life	112
Miss Wolverine	110		

3—7½; $1000; maiden 2-year-olds; clmng.

Make Fast	108	Wayne County	116
Flight Man	111	Army March	113
Darby Debate	111	Omashane	113
Ecomodate	111		

4—¾; $1100; 3-year-olds up; claiming.

Sixteen Cents	104	Magdala	107
Turnabout	103	Ilsfetchit	111
Appeal Agent	113	Smoothy	106

5—2¾; $1100; 3-year-olds up; allowances.

Good Going	110	Flying High	115
Paiturf	114	Albatross	115
Our Victory	117	Crazy Horse	113
Amble Tint	115	Alan F.	110
Goodrob	113	Good Bid	113
Pompeco	120		

6—1 1-16; $1100; 3-year-olds; allowances.

War Art	115	Bonnie Golos	108
Door-Yock	110	Snooks Winters	113
Free Duchess	109	Air Power	105
Play Show	112		

7—1 1-16; $1000; 3-year-olds up; claiming.

Stroll Time	110	Epay	107
Riot Call	109	Boris N.	112
Speedy Booger	110	Buckboard	120
Nonlen	112	Briar Play	117
Halcyon Boy	110		

8—1 1-16; $1000; 3-year-olds up; claiming.

Black Thrush	115	Juanita M.	109
A One	115	Mary's Lullaby	107
Brainsafire	111	Shot One	110
Single	110	Golden Mowles	112
Omaloo	107	The General	110
Here Goes	117		

Results

1—1 1-16; $1000; 3-year-olds up.

Revive, 108 (Mills)	23.90	6.30	3.40
Shadburn, 107 (Nichols)		3.20	2.20
One Link, 118 (Yocum)			2.40

Good Ante, Graymar Lad, Epaminondus, Yarn Spinner, †Dinna Care, Count Natural, †Gallant Dick, American Bride also ran.

†Mrs. J. W. Camac-Mrs. S. L. Hemingway entry.

2—¾; $1000; 4-year-olds up.

Tyrone, 116 (Torres)	22.40	9.20	4.80
Hargram, 114 (Yocum)		8.00	4.50
Dark Mischief, 114 (Fitzgerell)			5.10

Our Damsel, Becomly, Valdina Phao, El Ouna, Keene Advice, Her Image, Pogoso, Sir Lo also ran. Time, 1:13.

DAILY DOUBLE PAID $164.40.

3—¾; $1000; 3-year-olds up.

Davitt, 108 (Yocum)	27.40	9.20	4.20
Payoff, 106 (Nichols)		7.30	3.70
David B. Jr. 116 (Pucci)			2.50

Cake Gravy, Miola, Countess Play, Ankylos, Jackina also ran. Time, 1:13.

4—⅝; $1000; 2-year-olds.

Russardo, 116 (Rodert)	7.40	5.20	3.20
Navarrese, 112 (Nichols)		11.20	5.30
Light Count, 120 (Roberts)			3.10

Timore, Bob O'Sullivan, Singing Bid, Speedy Reward, Son of Tarra, Gallantry, Cassina, Ballyrag also ran. Time, 1:12⅖.

5—⅞; $1200; 3-year-olds up.

Romulus, 115 (Yocum)	2.80	2.20	2.10
Rush Act, 115 (Skorenski)		2.90	2.10
Vanjam, 113 (Brennan)			2.10

Mark, Budgeteer, Valdina Maiden also ran. Time, 1:24⅘ (new track record).

6—¾; $1200; 3-year-olds up.

Charter Member, 110 (Buxton)	9.90	4.90	3.40
†Liberty Pan, 117 (Maschek)		3.10	4.60
†Dancing Archie, 110 (Nichols)		6.70	8.50

Valdina Bright, Cousin Nan. Another Time. Leicester also ran. Time, 1:12.

†Dead heat for second.

7—1 1-16; $1000; 3-year-olds up.

Supreme Ideal, 115 (Strange)	18.30	7.40	6.50
†Son of Heels, 115 (Torres)		3.50	3.20
Sally of Erin, 109 (Root)			5.40

Tryitate, Bark, Still Gallant, Curesgal, Ringle, Ovando, Ticco, Rosemere Rose also ran. Time, 1:47⅘.

†Won, disqualified and placed second.

8—1 1-16; $1100; 3-year-olds up.

Opening Bid, 112 (Nichols)	5.30	4.30	2.80
Gullah, 105 (Patterson)		6.40	4.50
Straw Stack, 120 (Torres)			5.50

Bill's Palm, Sal's Sister, On the Double, Fleet Queen, Betty's Beau, Parlay King, Church Supper, Elcinap also ran. Time, 1:46⅘.

Post Consensus

AT GULFSTREAM (Fast)

1—Gamboleer, One Century, Dive Bomber.
2—Jr. O'Sullivan, Hot Night, Dream-Like.
3—WAYNE COUNTY, Army March, Ecomodate.
4—Ilsfetchit, Turnabout, Magdala.
5—Pompeco, Alan F., Paiturf.
6—Snooks Winters, Door-Yock, War Art.
7—Boris N., Briar Play, Swell Time.
8—Juanita M., Here Goes, Single.

Bill Bennings

AT GULFSTREAM PARK

1—Dive Bomber, One Century, Wee Bart.
2—Hot Night, Jr. O'Sullivan, Red Figure.
3—Make Fast, Ecomodate, Flight Man.
4—Appeal Agent, Turnabout, Smoothy.
5—Pompeco, Paiturf, Crazy Horse.
6—WAR ART, Snooks Winters, Air Power.
7—Swell Time, Boris N., Epay.
8—Golden Mowles, Single, Here Goes.

Patients Sure Of Yule Cheer At Bethesda

Gay holiday decorations and carol singing in Suburban Hospital, Bethesda, will lift the spirits of patients, through efforts of garden clubs, schools and Junior Red Cross.

Under sponsorship of the hospital board of trustees, the Women's Auxiliary appointed Mrs. John I. Fox as general chairman of decorations. The Bethesda Community Garden Club, of which she is a member, will provide terrariums for alcoves and officers, miniature Christmas trees for the wards and a mantlepiece arrangement for the Nurses' Home.

The Chevy Chase Garden Club, with Mrs. Richard Fay Jackson chairman, is making sprays for hospital windows and filling baskets with evergreens for the lobbies. It also will set up a tree for the Nurses' Home, while wreaths are being made by the Glenwood Road Garden Club under chairmanship of Mrs. Custis C. Meade.

Bethesda Elementary School children under their principal, Mrs. Ruth Clapp, are making tray favors for patients, while Lynnbrook School pupils are donating what their principal, Mrs. Elsie Bosley, terms "quiet toys"—such as stuffed animals, books and games.

Mrs. Albert J. Sullivan, chairman of children's activities for the Hospital Auxiliary, arranged to have the Junior Red Cross of Bethesda make place cards for Christmas dinner for patients as well as the hospital staff, and a group of miniature Christmas trees for decoration.

Carols will be sung in the wards by high school girls tomorrow beginning at 7:30 p. m. A holiday party will be given for hospital employes with gifts from the auxiliary under chairmanship of Mrs. Frank C. Davis.

Student, 17, Again Captains Fire Volunteers

A 17-year-old Alexandria boy, Robert C. Darley, jr., 310 Prince st., has been reelected captain of the volunteer membership of 125 men in Relief Truck and Engine Company No. 1 of the Alexandria Volunteer Fire Department.

Henry L. Scott, 120 S. Royal st., president of the company, who this month was elected to serve his fourth term, commended Darley, a student in George Washington High School in Alexandria, for successful work in handling men and equipment at fires.

The organization, formed in 1788, is one of five volunteer groups augmenting the regular fire department company personnel, has a total of 50 men in the armed services.

New officers for 1945 elected at the December meeting listed in order of rank are:

Scott, president; Melvin C. White, first vice president for a second term; David E. Robey, second vice president; R. M. Arnold, third term as secretary; Alton S. Peregory, treasurer, fifth term; John E. Posey, chaplain; Darley, captain; Paul Jacobs, first lieutenant; Ashton N. McKenney, second lieutenant; George W. Dawson, commander of hose, and Lester McWhorter, assistant commander of hose.

Chattanooga to Resume Football Next Year

Chattanooga, Dec. 21 (AP).—The University of Chattanooga Moccasins will return to intercollegiate football competition next year. The first game arranged is with Miami University the night of next September 28. The school hasn't had a football team the last two years.

Germans Die on Home Soil

Signal Corps Photo

TWO DEAD GERMANS lie in rubble beside portable American gas cans in a German town

Capt. T. L. Wattles To Be Commander Of New Cruiser

Capt. Thomas Lippitt Wattles, USN, of Alexandria, will assume command of the new light cruiser, U. S. S. Topeka, when it is commissioned Saturday at 2 p. m. at the Boston Navy Yard, the Navy Department has announced.

The son of Mrs. Charles William Wattles of Charles Town, W. Va., and the late Mr. Wattles who was general manager of the Alexandria office of the Norfolk-Washington Steamboat Co., Captain Wattles spent his boyhod days here, attended Alexandria High School, was graduated from the United States Naval Academy at Annapolis, Md.

His uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Henry S. Wattles, reside at 514 Cameron st., Alexandria. Hsi wife and their two daughters live at Blair House i Williamsburg, Va., where he joined them this year upon his return from more than 18 months at sea as commander of a squadron of destroyers.

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1240 Kilocycles.
FRIDAY
MORNING.

7:00 Early Bird.
8:00 News. Early Bird.
8:45 Family Altar.
9:00 Organ Melodies
9:30 Modern Romances.
9:45 Band Stand.
10:00 News, B. Repaid.
10:15 Morning Devotions.
10:30 Shady Valley Folks.
11:00 Arthur Gaeth.
11:15 Saddle Pals.
11:45 Interlude.

AFTERNOON.

12:00 News; Gabriel Heatter.
12:15 Music in the Latter Vein.
12:30 392nd Army Band.
1:00 Ray Dady.
1:15 Terry's House Party.
1:30 Lunch With Lopez.
1:45 American Women's Jury.
2:00 Cedric Foster.
2:15 Saddle Pals.
2:30 Open House.
2:45 To Be Announced.
3:00 Morton Downey.
3:15 Service Unlimited.
3:30 The Smoothies.
3:45 Tic Toc Tunes.
4:05 Romantic Cycle.
4:15 Johnson Family
4:30 Zeb Carver.
4:45 Handy Man.
5:00 Carroll Glenn.
5:15 Interlude.
5:30 Superman.
5:45 Tom Mix.

EVENING.

6:00 News; Sports.
6:15 Jungle Jim.
6:30 Candlelight and Silver.
7:00 Fulton Lewis, Jr.
7:15 Musical Party.
7:30 Old Corral.
7:45 Piano Fantasy.
8:00 Cecil Brown.
8:15 Sunny Skylar.
8:30 Freedom of Opportunity.
9:00 Gabriel Heatter.
9:15 Easy Rhythm.
9:30 Double or Nothing.
10:00 Green vs. Graziano.
11:00 Music; Sports.
11:30 Sign Off.

HAGERSTOWN, MD

WSVA

550 Kilocycles.
FRIDAY
MORNING.

6:30 Rev. Maiden.
6:45 News.
7:00 Red Belcher.
7:15 Trading Post.
7:30 News.
7:45 Plough Boys.
8:00 Curley Joe.
8:15 Smiles.
8:30 Lee Moore.
9:00 Kitchen Frolic.
9:30 Johnson Trio.
9:45 Mixing Bowl.
10:00 Buddy Starcher.
10:30 Treasury Salute.
10:45 Woman's Page of the Air.
11:00 News.
11:15 Reed Organ.
11:30 Lee Moore.

AFTERNOON.

12:00 News and Juanita.
12:15 Purple Sage Trio.
12:30 News
12:45 Markets.
1:00 10-2-4 Ranch.
1:15 Campfire Roundup.
2:00 News.
2:15 Town Crier
2:30 Buddy Starcher.
3:00 Lee Moore.
3:30 News
3:45 Afternoon varieties.
4:00 Road of Life.
4:15 Life Can Be Beautiful.
4:30 Ma Perkins.
4:45 News.
5:00 Story Lady.
5:15 Jimmy Allen.
5:30 Hayden Family.
5:45 News and Markets.
6:00 Sign Off.

HARRISONBURG, VA.

WCHV

1450 Kilocycles.
FRIDAY
MORNING.

7:00 Musical Clock.
7:25 News.
7:30 Musical Clock.
7:55 News.
8:00 Martin Agronsky.
8:15 Morning Melodies.
8:30 News.
8:45 Lucky Lady.
9:00 Breakfast Club.
10:00 True Story.
10:30 Sunny Side of the Street.
10:45 Listening Post.
11:00 Breakfast at Sardi's.
11:30 News Summary.
11:45 Jack Berch.

AFTERNOON.

12:00 Glamour Manor.
12:30 Devotions.
12:45 Town Crier.
1:00 Bankhage Talking.
1:15 Music of the Masters.
1:45 Show Tune Time.
2:00 News. Kiernan
2:15 The Mystery Chef.
2:30 Ladies Be Seated.
3:00 Morton Downey.
3:15 Twentieth Century Serenade.
3:45 Sincerely Yours.
4:00 Time Views the News.
4:15 Easy Rhythm.
4:30 Christmas Stories.
4:45 Hop Harrigan.
5:00 Terry and the Pirates.
5:15 Dick Tracy.
5:30 Jack Armstrong.
5:45 10-2-4 Ranch

EVENING.

6:00 News.
6:15 Texas Rangers.
6:30 News; Music.
6:45 Henry J. Taylor.
7:00 Ed Wynn.
7:45 Confidentially Yours.
8:00 Stars of the Future.
8:30 Spice of Life.
8:45 America's Music.
9:00 Music As You Like It.
9:30 Spotlight Bands.
10:00 Earl Godwin.
10:15 Bob and Ilene.
10:30 Doctor's Talk It Over.
10:45 Continentales.
11:00 Music You Want.
11:30 Pages of Melody.
12:00 Sign Off.

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Charlottesville, Va.

WFVA

1630 Kilocycles.
FRIDAY
MORNING.

7:30 Music.
8:00 Agronsky: News.
8:15 Hour of Prayer.
8:30 News Summary.
8:45 Morning Devotions.
9:00 Breakfast Club.
10:00 True Story.
10:30 Name the Tune.
10:45 Listening Post.
11:00 Breakfast at Sardi's.
11:30 Gil Martyn—News.
11:45 Gossip for Girls.

AFTERNOON.

12:00 Hit Band of the Day.
12:15 Luncheon Dancing.
12:30 Farm and Home Hour.
1:00 Baukage—News.
1:15 Lum 'n' Abner.
1:30 Concert Hall.
2:00 Kiernan's Korner.
2:15 Hollywood Show.
2:30 Ladies Be Seated.
2:45 Money Man.
3:00 Morton Downey.
3:15 Star Time.
3:30 Appointment with Life.
4:00 Ethel and Albert.
4:15 Mary Washington College.
4:30 Time Views the News.
4:45 Hop Harrigan.
5:00 Terry and the Pirates.
5:15 Dick Tracy.
5:30 Jack Armstrong.
5:45 Capt. Midnight.

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Fredericksburg, Va.

WFMD

930 Kilocycles.
FRIDAY
MORNING.

6:00 Sign On.
6:45 Cordwood.
7:00 News; Sunrise Salute.
8:00 News of the World.
8:15 Jubilaires.
8:30 Coffee Club.
8:45 Morning Devotions.
9:15 School of the Air.
9:45 This Life Is Mine.
10:00 News.
10:15 Cordwood.
10:30 This Changing World.
10:45 Singer of Gospel Songs.
11:00 Tom and Herb.
11:15 Doc Williams.
11:30 Bright Horizons.
11:45 Farm Time With Uncle Joe.

AFTERNOON.

12:00 Bedford News.
12:15 Big Sister.
12:30 Helen Trent.
12:45 Our Gal Sunday.
1:00 Old Familiar Hymns.
1:30 Hanover Calling.
2:00 News.
2:30 Dixie Rogers.
3:00 Mary Marlin.
3:15 Ma Perkins.
3:30 Bob Trout. News.
3:45 High Places.
4:00 Service Time.
4:15 Music.
4:30 Raymond Scott Show.
5:00 Sing Along Club.
5:15 Name You Will Remember.
5:30 Church of Christ.
5:45 Sports Parade.

EVENING.

6:00 CBS News.
6:15 Music.
6:30 Jeri Sullivan.
6:45 Dinner Music.
7:15 Raymond Scott.
7:30 American Legion.
8:00 Gospel Jubilee Singers.
8:15 Yours for the Asking.
8:45 Dance Music.
9:00 Exotic Moods.
9:15 Front Page Drama.
9:30 This Woman's Army.
10:00 Moore and Durante.
10:30 Music to Read By.
11:00 World News Analysis.
11:15 Joan Brooks, Songs.
11:30 Mildred Bailey Show.
12:00 News.

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WINC

1400 Kilocycles.
FRIDAY
MORNING.

7:30 Morning Show.
8:00 Agronsky, News.
8:20 Texas Jim.
8:30 News.
8:45 Morning Devotions.
9:00 Breakfast Club.
10:00 True Story.
10:30 Martinsburg Wheel.
10:45 Listening Post.
11:00 Breakfast at Sardi's.
11:30 Kellogg News.
11:45 Dr. James.

AFTERNOON.

12:00 Hit Parade.
12:15 10-2-4 Ranch.
12:30 Farm and Home.
1:00 Baukhage.
1:15 Bible School.
1:45 Phil Barton.
2:00 News.
2:15 The Mystery Chef.
2:30 Ladies, Be Seated.
3:00 Morton Downey.
3:15 Star Time.
3:30 Appointment With Life.
4:00 Blue Frolics.
4:15 Rev. Harry James.
4:30 Time Views News.
4:45 Sea Hound.
5:00 Terry and the Pirates.
5:15 Dick Tracy.
5:30 Jack Armstrong.
5:45 Capt. Midnight.

EVENING.

6:00 Good Neighbor.
6:05 Music.
6:10 Don't You Believe It?
6:15 Spin and Win.
6:30 Concert.
6:45 Henry Taylor. News.
7:00 Nero Wolfe.
7:15 Tru. Romances.
7:30 Concert Hall.
8:00 Earl Godwin.
8:15 Parker Family.
8:30 Meet Your Navy.
9:00 Gang Busters.
9:30 Spotlight Band
9:55 Harry Wismer.
10:00 John Vandercook. News.
10:15 Bridge to Dreamland.
10:30 Sign Off.

WINCHESTER, VIRGINIA.

Officials Seek To Put Twins On Same Ship

The Palmer twins of Arlington will be stationed on the same ship as soon as arrangements can be made, Coast Guard headquarters promised The Post yesterday when advised of a year-old effort of the boys and their parents to get them together in the service as they had been in the 20 years of their lives.

Identical twin sons of Dr. and Mrs. J. Williston Palmer, 210 North Irving st., Arlington, Va., Seamen First Class Bruce and Williston Palmer were separated for the first time when Coast Guard dentists got through with Bruce's teeth sooner than with Williston's and Bruce was shipped out.

When the previously inseparable twins were home together in November, 1943, their mother wrote a letter to President Roosevelt asking him to assign the boys to the same ship. A month later, she received a reply from the Coast Guard promising just that, but a spokesman at headquarters said yesterday they had been unable to catch up with one of the boys' ship and finally gave it up.

Headquarters assured a Post reporter, however, that efforts will be resumed immediately to bring the brothers together, although it was emphasized it was against general policy to put close relatives on the same ship except on the direct request of the parents.

Graduates of Washington-Lee High School, Bruce and Williston worked together at the Army Map Service and enlisted in the Coast Guard on the same day in November, 1942. Williston, who was on furlough last week, participated in the invasions of Sicily, Salerno, Normandy and southern France. Bruce served on a weather ship in the Atlantic which won a commendation from a task force commander for the courage and efficiency of its crew during hazardous conditions. He was last home in May and is now on a ship in the Pacific.

The Palmer's third son, Bryan, a paratrooper, was wounded on the second day of the Normandy invasion and is now in a hospital in England.

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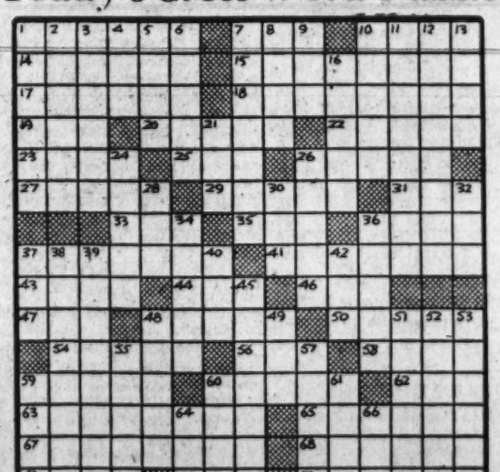

ACROSS

1 Honorary title
7 Before: prefix
10 Science of war
14 Green
15 Light roadster
17 Mariners
18 Hindrance
19 Palm lilies
20 Plucky: colloq.
22 One-sided
23 Prepare for print
25 Minute
26 Form of trap-shooting
27 Demolished
29 Debate
31 Infusion
33 Cat-sound
35 Keep out
36 Discerned
37 Royal estate
41 Partly arid
43 Arrow poison
44 Tibetan gazelle
46 Polish
47 Fold
48 Hovel
50 Romantic wanderer
54 Outlet
56 Container
58 Easy pace
59 Misbecomings daily
60 Kind of shrub
62 Fur
63 Pause in a journey
65 Money: slang
67 Hundredweights
68 For each
69 Impression
70 Newt
71 Thrive

DOWN

1 Light overgarment
2 Lake in New York
3 [illegible]erament
4 [illegible]ns character
5 Candid
6 Freshen
7 Byword
8 Shade of red
9 Being
10 Coat down
11 Shot skyward
12 Driver of equines
13 State of worry
16 Overtake: obs.
21 Turmeric
24 Crude dwelling
26 More confident
28 Flat failure
30 Fuel
32 At all
34 Scalawag
36 Prophetess
37 Plunge
38 Not entered
39 Most important part
40 Pithy saying
42 Stets
45 Detestable
48 One of the Great Lakes
49 Out of meat
51 Small person
52 Evergreen
53 Freeholders
55 Dividing walls
57 Grand personage
59 Spore case of fungi
60 Thrall
61 Kind of tobacco
64 A letter
66 Gloves: var.

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

Floyd Akers Host

Floyd Akers was host at dinner at the Mayflower last evening, the affair taking place in the Chinese Room.

Baums Have Guest

Mrs. Robert Baum, Goldsboro, N. C., is passing the week with Mr. and Mrs. Leo Baum at the Park Towers.

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Hospital Gifts In Fairfax Total 1600 Boxes

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More than 1600 Christmas boxes are being given to service men and women who are patients at Fort Belvoir and St. Elizabeths Hospitals by organizations and individuals in Fairfax.

The donations, made through the Fairfax camp and hospital service of the American Red Cross, include 525 boxes given by Fairfax school children through the Junior Red Cross of which Mrs. Joseph Beard of Fairfax is chairman. About 275 boxes have been donated by the Fort Belvoir auxiliary, headed by Mrs. Gordon R. Young.

In addition, Fairfax organizations and wives of men at Fort Belvoir are giving Fort Belvoir Hospital many plants and wreaths, dozens of Christmas tree decorations, cards, gift wrappings and home-made cookies.

4 Draft Cases Affirmed

Four decisions of the Fairfax Selective Service Board were affirmed last week by Appeal Board 3, Charliottesville, while three others were reversed, it was learned yesterday.

Continued as 1-A classifications were Walter Gray, 21, dairy farm laborer; Walton C. Thompson, 23, farmer; Arthur T. Powell, 23, dairy farm laborer, and Melvin W. Thompson, 19, dairy farmer.

Hardship classifications were granted Richard G. King, 19, clerk and James F. Dowden, 19, farmer, and a 2-C classification was assigned to William H. Williams, 22, farm laborer.

Belvoir Chapter Praised

Commendation for the Fort Belvoir auxiliary of the Fairfax Chapter of the American Red Cross was accorded yesterday by Mrs. Loretta J. Bickford, director of the District of Columbia Blood Donor Service, who awarded the chapter a certificate of appreciation for filling the maximum quota of 640 pints of blood in the recent four-day drive held on the Engineer Post.

During 1944, Fort Belvoir blood donors have contributed 2817 pints, according to an announcement by Mrs. Ralph C. Bailey, chairman of the Blood Donors Unit.

St. Timothy's Services

Plans now are being made for a Christmas Eve candlelight service to be held in the Herndon Street Timothy's Episcopal Church at 11:30 Sunday night. The Rev. Lloyd William Bell, rector, will hav echarge of the service. Members of other Herndon churches have been invited to join the service.

Enttrtainment Set

The Sunday School of the Floris Presbyterian Church will have a Christmas entertainment of recitations and Christmas carols in the church on Sunday morning at 11:30.

What's Going On And Where

Entertainment for Service Men and Women

Victory Canteen for Servicemen, 1113 Pennsylvania ave. nw., 10 a. m.

Army-Navy Masonic Servicemen's Center, 13th st. and New York ave. nw., 1 p. m.

Servicemen's Ticket Booth, E st. and Pennsylvania ave. nw., 4 to 8:30 p. m.

Pepsi-Cola Canteen for Servicemen of the United Nations, 13th and G sts. nw., checking, showers and lounge, all day.

Stage Door Canteen, Washington School of Ballet, 8:15 p. m.; band, 9 p. m. to 10 p. m.

USO, 1911 H st. nw., crafts in plastics, 7:30 p. m.; tree-trimming party, 8 p. m.; caroling, 9 p. m.

USO, 1736 G st. nw., sightseeing, 1:30 p. m.; musical echoes, 6 to 7 p. m.; church supper, 6 p. m.; dance of the week, 9 p. m.; refresher hour, 10:30 p. m.

USO, National Jewish Welfare Board, 1529 16th st. nw., swimming, servicemen, 12 noon to 10 p. m.

Dance, Army and Navy Daughters, Officers Service Club, 1644 21st st. nw., tree will be trimmed, 9 to 12 p. m.

Luncheons, Meetings and Dinners

Luncheon, National Homes Foundation, Statler Hotel, 12:30 p. m.

Luncheon, District of Columbia Bankers Association, Willard Hotel, 12:45 p. m.

Reception, Zenith Radio, Congressional Room, Statler Hotel, 5 p. m.

Reception, National Crushed Stone Association, Statler Hotel, 4 to 6 p. m.

Reception, Washington Gas-Light Co., Statler Hotel, 5 to 7 p. m.

Dance, Hydrographic Office, Navy Department, Willard Hotel, large and small ballrooms, 9 p. m. to 1 a. m.

Luncheon, Uptown Lions Club, Broadmoor Apartment Hotel, 12:15 p. m.

Exhibit

Miniature Painters, Sculptors and Gravers Society, Corcoran Gallery of Art.

Mary Haworth's Mail

With Their Husbands at War, Two Sisters Take Jobs, Come to Live With Parents and Shock Mother by Going Out With Other Men

DEAR MARY HAWORTH: I have two daughters, one 20 and one 19. Both girls married when they were 18, although not with my approval; and both were fortunate to get good husbands. At present, my sons-in-law are in the Army. I reared my daughters carefully and both of them enjoyed good reputations, and I was always proud of them.

Almost a year ago, when their husbands entered the service, my daughters secured jobs at a nearby airplane plant. Several neighbors cautioned me that the experience might be harmful to them, as many women employes there were forgetting their husbands and behaving scandalously. I had no fears of that sort concerning my daughters, and told the neighbors so. But now I am heartbroken to realize I was wrong.

Girls Shrug Off Mother's Counsel

MY DAUGHTERS have changed so much in the last year that I can hardly realize they are my children, and it is killing me. The elder daughter was staying with us, while the younger daughter lived with another girl near the plant. Two months ago she came back to us, too; and I later learned it was because someone had written her husband that she was running around, and to allay his suspicions she had moved in with us.

It kills me to see them both writing their husbands and telling them they are being true; and then dressing up and going out with other men. I don't know what to do or say. When I try to counsel them, they tell that when their husbands come home, they will again settle down; and that what their husbands don't know will not hurt them. What can I do? B. R.

Mother Faces Big Decision

DEAR B. R.: Since your two grown, married daughters blithely spurn your efforts to be keeper of their consciences, and are airily indifferent to your stricken disapproval of their two-timing behavior, it seems to me your duty boils down to conforming your own conduct to what you believe to be right. You believe their conduct to be grievously wrong; and realize that one of them, at least, —the younger girl,—deliberately came back home to try to conceal her misconduct from her husband by hiding behind the cloak of your respectability. And from what you say, the older girl upholds and participates in her game.

So where does that leave you? In my opinion, it puts you in the position of having to decide whether you are going to let them bamboozle you into being a hand-wringing accessory to their scandal-giving performance; or whether you are going to stand by what you believe to be right, and refuse to shelter or otherwise condone their studied hypocrisy. No matter how loudly you deplore their treachery, so long as you knowingly, and in weakness, permit them to use you and your home as a screen for crimes against honor, you are tacitly encouraging their misdeeds. You are a redhanded accomplice in deceiving their husbands, whether you like it or not.

Stop Preaching; Prove Convictions

UNLESS you yourself have the strength of character to adhere unflinchingly to principle, and let the chips fall where they may, you cannot expect your moral convictions to carry weight with your daughters. And while I don't promise you the power to reform them immediately of their wartime wild ways, it is certain you will compel their respect,—and give them much food for sobering thought,—if you call them on the carpet and tell them with blunt finality that: 1. Either they settle down now, and behave as true wives to their husbands, while staying with you. Or, 2. They have one week's notice in which to make other living arrangements, pack their belongings and get out,—for the simple reason that you refuse to be a passive party to their dishonest actions any longer.

M. H.

Mary Haworth counsels through her column; not by mail or personal interview. Write her in care of The Post.

Parents Fete Hope Erwin

First in the series of dinners planned during the holidays for Miss Hope Erwin took place last night at the Shoreham Hotel, when her parents, Lieut. Col. and Mrs. Henry Parsons Erwin, were hosts.

Miss Erwin, who is attending Vassar College this year, is one of several young women making their official bows to society this Christmas. Her parents will give another dinner for her Friday, December 29, at their residence, and Wednesday, December 27, Miss Erwin's cousins, Col. and Mrs. David St. Pierre Gaillard, will entertain at dinner in her honor.

Sharing honors with Miss Erwin at last night's fete were two fellow debutantes, Miss Olive Watson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert C. Watson, and Miss Peggy Pence, daughter of Capt. and Mrs. Harry Pence.

Ration Points

DECEMBER 22, 1944

MEATS, FATS, ETC.—Book four red stamps A-8 through Z-8 and A-9 through Z-5 valid indefinitely. No more will be validated until December 31.

PROCESSED FOODS—Book 4 blue stamps A-8 through Z-8 and A-5 through Z-5 and A-2 and B-2 valid indefinitely. No more will be validated until January 1.

SUGAR—Book 4 stamps 30 through 34 good indefinitely for 5 pounds each. Stamp 40 good for 5 pounds for home canning through February 28, 1945.

SHOES—Book 3 airplane stamps 1, 2 and 3 valid indefinitely.

GASOLINE—A-14 coupons good everywhere for 4 gallons. B-4, C-4, B-5 and C-5 coupons good everywhere for 5 gallons.

FUEL OIL—Old period 4 and 5 coupons good throughout current heating season. New period 1 and 2 coupons also valid now and good through heating year.

Underwood & Underwood

MISS MARIANNA KYLE
... will be Midshipman's bride

Marianna Kyle, John Murdock Are Betrothed

Mrs. John Joseph Shugrue announces the engagement of her daughter, Miss Marianna Moran Kyle, to Midshipman John Edgar Murdock, jr., USN, son of Judge and Mrs. Murdock, this city.

Miss Kyle is a graduate of the Potomac School and the Madeira School, Grunway, Va. She is now attending Finch Junior College in New York.

Midshipman Murdock attended Lawrenceville School, Lawrenceville, N. J., and is a member of this year's class at the United States Naval Academy.

No date has been set for the wedding.

Town Talk

By Eva Hinton

WHEN Lady Dill, wife of the late Field Marshal Sir John Dill, entertained the British Joint Staff's AWVS drivers the other late afternoon she was carrying out a plan of her husband's made last summer before he became ill.

Lady Dill

Two station wagons are staffed by the AWVS for the British headquarters, and Lady Dill wanted to show her husband's and her own appreciation of their services before her imminent return to England.

Lady Dill is the only hostess I have ever seen who can transplant guests from one room to another and make them flourish.

When the drawing room with its gay little Christmas tree became crowded she took you into the library, introduced you to the most congenial people and came back later to see if you were having a good time.

Admiral Sir James Somerville, head of the British Admiralty Delegation, added that note of substantial cheer that the British fleet always induces (except in the enemy), and the army and Royal Air Force were well represented by, among others, Brig. Charles Hayden and Air Commodore Peter Davis.

The lady drivers, hardly recognizable in their civilian glamour, included Mrs. Charles Crawford, Miss Nell Tyson, Mrs. Eric Marks, Mrs. James Bonbright and Mrs. Frank Gunderson. Mrs. Stephen Dorsey was in party mood, delighted that her husband's book on Georgetown houses is fresh off the presses.

A very nice new arrival was Col. Mark Chapman-Walker, military assistant to Gen. Sir Henry Maitland Wilson. The latter, not yet arrived, will replace the late, much-beloved field marshal.

Helping Lady Dill everywhere were her blonde schoolgirl daughter, Sonia Furlong, and the field marshal's aide, Capt. the Hon. Reginald Winn.

TWO men who knew each other when one was First Secretary and the other was Assistant Military Attache at the United States Embassy in Paris met again the other day in Radio-Analyst Edward Tomlinson's apartment at Wardman Park. The former First Secretary is Norman Armour, United States Ambassador designate to Spain, and the erstwhile Assistant Military Attache is Lieut. Gen. Barton K. Yount, in command of all the Army Air Forces training.

The host at the meeting, Mr. Tomlinson, looked a little wan. He explained that it was due to lack of sleep, and that in turn was due to a turkey; not the search for a turkey but a turkey's search for him.

After a strenuous lecture tour he had planned one late morning's sleep, but was roused in the black dawn by the telephone. A live turkey had arrived, all unexpected, from Georgia, and what to do with it. No one had any place to keep it, including Mr. Tomlinson in his hotel apartment.

The rest of the day, was spent in arranging the demise of the turkey and having it put in proper shape to pop into the stove on Christmas Day.

POPULAR Cuban Embassy Attache Jose de Lasa is off for Cuba today in company with the new Cuban Ambassador, Senor Guillermo Belt. The Ambassador will return with his family after Christmas, but Mr. de Lasa is taking two months' leave and will enjoy Cuban sunshine until March.

Home for Holidays

Miss Louise Homer, a student at Smith College, has arrived here to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Homer, jr., who make their home at Kew Gardens, 2500 Q st.

The Gentler Sex

By Malvina Lindsay

The Home Front

(From the Truthtown Torch)

Glitter Party

Gayest of the gay wartime holiday fetes will be the glitter cocktail party to be given by Mrs. Parvenu Popinjay, Tuesday in the Babylonian Room of the Hotel Swank. "Since all my friends will receive so many glitter gifts this Christmas, as scarfs, sneods, mantillas, gloves, belts, barrettes, handkerchiefs, bags. garters, halos, beanies, etc.," explained the captivating social climber, "I felt I should give them the earliest opportunity to display their loot."

Prizes will be awarded the most glittering guests. Mrs. Popinjay will wear a gold lame dress, embroidered with rhinestones, and decorated with jet fringe. She will have a halo of black sequins. Her dog collar and cigarette holder will be studded with diamonds. She will wear phosphorescent nail polish. Mr. Popinjay's tie and suspenders will be studded with nailheads.

Shopping Notes

The Ladies' Parachute Patrol yesterday turned down a proposal to establish first-aid stations for injured and fainting women in the holiday shopping rush. Mrs. Wynkoop Bigwigger, who opposed the project, declared it would make "sissies" of American women who "ought to be able to stand up to the rush at the costume jewelry cosmetic and handbag counters, if their sons, husbands and brothers could hold their own in the snow and mud on the European front."

Mrs. Whitherford Schooner pointed out that women who shopped had to learn to be aggressive. "Now my technique for getting through the crowds," said Mrs. Schooner, "is to wait until a well-bred, genteel-looking woman comes along, then thrust out my elbow and push her aside. Having made a dent in the line, I then carry the ball on through."

Reconversion Note

Mr. and Mrs. Redingote Jimson beat a hasty retreat last night from the buffet supper given by the Radcliffe Uppercuts. The Jimsons, shortly after their arrival, discovered that all of the men excepting Mr. Jimson were wearing the new pleated and zippered trousers whose manufacture was recently permitted by a WPB order.

"We were so embarrassed, we left at once," Mrs. Jimson told the Torch last night in an exclusive interview. "It seemed to me that all the men were superciliously regarding Redingote and were distinctly cool to him at the cocktail bar. As for myself, all the smarter dressed socialites stared past me."

Away From It All

The Atterbury Husks will give a "back to normalcy" costume ball Christmas night in the Waterloo Room at Silo House. Guests will come attired in the outfits of the later 1920s. There will be Christmas trees with elaborate favors, including Nylon stockings and cigarettes the Husks brought with them on their return from their recent rest in Mexico City. A special squad of police will keep out feminine gate crashers.

"We are doing this for morale purposes," Mrs. Husk explained last night. "We and our friends have been through so much in this war that we felt we ought to try to forget everything unpleasant during the holidays. We have been especially depressed recently by the casualties in Leyte and the German offensive in Europe."

Hail and Farewell

Friends of the popular and captivating Mrs. Thornberry Flitterjig have just completed a series of a dozen or so parties in honor of her return from New York, where she did a round of playgoing and shopping. Mrs. Flitterjig's friends now are utterly desolated by her announcement to leave soon for two weeks in Florida and are beginning a series of farewell parties for her. So far, 15 luncheons and cocktail parties have been scheduled.

Girls About Town

All of the topflight commercial cocktail set turned out for the champagne party given yesterday in the Surrealist Room of the Hotel Arabesque, by Sailem's, Inc., to introduce their new personalized ash tray. The tray, which may be worn as a lapel gadget, opens out to receive cigarette ashes, and thus spares smokers at mass parties the embarassment of hunting ash trays. Many new spring hats were glimpsed on the heads of the smart career women, who dashed in breathless from important conferences, long distance calls and other cocktail dates.

Martha Ellyn's Platter Chatter

Make Hospitality Christmas Keynote

This is our fourth holiday season since Pearl Harbor. The first year we didn't have to revise our Christmas dinner menu. Even this year our holiday menu won't need to be far off the traditional line. Turkeys are scarce, cranberries are difficult to find, and a few items like butter and meat are high in point value, but such won't make much inroad into the cook's usual way of planning holiday fare.

We can still make the house gay with color and a Christmas tree. And this is a time when old-fashioned American hospitality should be in full swing. Fill vacant chairs with a girl or boy in the service. Or if there are no vacant chairs, and there is opportunity to squeeze in several more dinner guests, be sure to invite those who might have a lonely Christmas if you didn't share your day with them.

Turkeys are reported to be slightly more plentiful than at Thanksgiving, but there won't be a supply large enough to meet the civilian demand. But there are other fowl that can be cooked to a turn. Consider goose, duck and chicken. The goose has long been the traditional bird for the holiday feast. It's a fat bird and must be cooked with this thought in mind. Whether or not the goose is stuffed is a matter of opinion. But if it not stuffed, it should have tart apple and onion put into it for flavor's sake. And this is a fowl that should be pricked to allow some of the fat to run out so that it can be poured off.

Here's a menu planned around goose as the king of the feast:

Christmas Dinner

Tomato Bouillon
Roast Goose — Stuffing
Mashed Potatoes — Gravy
Broccoli — Fluffy Squash
Avocado-Grapefruit Salad
Hot Rolls — Butter or Margarine
Holiday Pudding — Rum Hard Sauce
Coffee

A crisp, flavorsome stuffing adds a delightful flavor to a fowl. There are many types of stuffing. Make a good basic one and you can vary it as you desire. Following is a recipe for making a plain stuffing.

PLAIN STUFFING

Toast 3 quarts of day old bread cubes lightly in oven. Melt ½ cup butter or margarine in skillet, add 1 teaspoon poultry seasoning, 2 teaspoons salt, ½ teaspoon pepper, 2 tablespoons minced celery, 1 tablespoon minced parsley and cook for three minutes. Add enough hot milk to moisten slightly. Beat 3 eggs slightly and stir them into the mixture. Cool before stuffing turkey if it is to stand overnight. Yield enough to stuff a 12-pound bird.

Browned rice dressing is a favorite of many persons. This is the recipe for preparing it:

BROWNED RICE DRESSING

Pan fry 1 pound sausage meat until brown. Drain. Beat 2 eggs together 7 cups bread crumbs, 2 tablespoons diced onion, 1 teaspoon salt, 4 tablespoons chopped parsley and 1 cup diced celery. Pour egg-milk mixture over bread mixture. Then stuff bird and do not place too much in the cavity so that it will burst the skin of the fowl.

If you consider that a Christmas dinner will not be complete without oyster stuffing, then here is a recipe for preparing it:

OYSTER STUFFING

Combine 8 cups soft bread crumbs, 1 teaspoon sage, ½ teaspoon thyme, ¼ teaspoon nutmeg, 2 teaspoons salt, ¼ teaspoon pepper and 1 teaspoon scraped onion. Add 2 slightly beaten eggs, two-thirds cup butter or margarine melted and toss all with a fork. Add 1 pint oysters, chopped. Mix lightly. Makes enough stuffing for a 7-to-10 pound bird. Use 2 pints oysters for more moist stuffing with stronger oyster flavor.

If you are going to prepare a dinner for two persons or not more than four, you may consider that a roast stuffed chicken will be the thing to serve. This is a recipe for preparing a roasted chicken:

ROAST STUFFED CHICKEN

Singe one 4 to 5 pound roasting chicken and wash well. Wipe out inner cavity, and rub with salt. Place 4 cups soft bread crumbs in bowl, add ¼ cup boiling water, and work lightly with fingers. Add ½ cup melted butter, 1 teaspoon sage, 1 teaspoon salt, dash of pepper, 1 tablespoon scraped onion, and mix. Add 1 egg slightly beaten, and mix well. Fill body cavity and neck cavity of chicken with stuffing. Sew up openings with coarse thread or use metal skewers and lace with string. Rub outside of chicken with soft butter and sprinkle with salt and pepper. Bake on wire rack in open dripping pan. Bake in hot oven (450 degree F.).

The approximate cooking time, as based on the weight of a stuffed bird will be as follows:

WEIGHT	TIME	PER LB.
12 lbs.	3 hrs.	15 min.
14 lbs.	3¼ hrs.	14 min.
16 lbs.	3½ hrs.	13 min.
18 lbs.	4 hrs.	13 min.
20 lbs.	4 hrs.	13 min.

A holiday pudding that can be made two or three days in advance and then resteamed 40 to 50 minutes before serving. This is the recipe:

HOLIDAY PUDDING

Blend ½ cup shortening with 1 teaspoon salt, 1 teaspoon cinnamon, ¼ teaspoon ginger, ½ teaspoon nutmeg. Add three-fourths cup sugar gradually and cream well. Add ¼ cup light molasses and beat. Add 2 unbeaten eggs, singly, beating well after each addition. Add ¼ cup cooked pumpkin (quick-frozen cooked pumpkin will do ideally), and blend well. Sift ¼ teaspoon soda with 1½ teaspoons baking powder and 2 cups sifted flour for three times. Add to creamed mixture, alternately with ¼ cup sour milk, mixing after each addition, until it is smooth. Add 1 cup finely chopped nut meats and blend. Pour into greased 1½ quart mold, cover tightly and steam for 2 hours. Unmold on plate.

Miss Hume to Entertain

Miss Suzanne Lee Hume, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas L. Hume, jr., will entertain at luncheon next Wednesday, December 27, at the Mayflower.

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9 :00	Breakfast Club	Mirth and Madness	News; Art Brown	News; Music in Air	Cash; Mike Hunnicutt	Godfrey News
:15	" "	" "	Brown at the Organ	Music in the Air	Mike Hunnicut	Home Service Daily
:30	" "	News; Banghart	Listen Ladies!	Traffic Court	News; Mike Hunnicutt	CBS Air Theater
:45	" "	Broadway Melodies	" "	" "	Mike Hunnicutt	" "
10 :00	My True Story	Lora Lawton	News	News; Music Hall	Cash; Bing Crosby	Valiant Lady
:15	" "	World News	Mr. Moneybags	Music Hall	Crosby; Miss. Persons	Light of the World
:30	Cliff Edwards	Finders Keepers	Shady Valley Folks	" "	News; Alice Lane	This Changing World
:45	Listening Post	" "	" "	" "	Alice Lane	Bachelors Children
11 :00	Breakfast at Sardi's	Road of Life	News; Billy Repaid	News: Symphony	Cash; Alice Lane	Honeymoon Hill
:15	" "	Rosemary	Need Advice?	Dvorak's	Alice Lane	Second Husband
:30	Ruth Crane	Star Playhouse	Melody Time	Symphony No. 5	News; Morning	Bright Horizon
:45	" "	David Harum	What's Your Idea?	" " "	Matinee	Aunt Jenny
12 :00	News; Evans	News; Improvisations	News; Gabriel Heatter	WINX News	Password Please	Kate Smith Speaks
:15	Little Show	Look to This Day	Scratches; Music	Music	" "	Big Sister
:30	Glamour Manor	Matinee Today	392nd Army Band	Navy Band	News; With the 400	Helen Trent
:45	" "	" "	" " "	" "	Lunch With the 400	Our Gal Sunday
1 :00	Baukhage Talking	Nancy Osgood	News; Compton	WINX News	All Sports Parade	Life Can Be Beautiful
:15	Jack Berch	" "	Tarry's House Party	Musical Bouquets	Tony Wakeman	Ma Perkins
:30	Music Box	Tropical Echoes	Luncheon With Lopez	" "	All Sports Parade	News; Bernadine Flynn
:45	" "	Morgan Beatty	Scratches; Hodges	" "	Tony Wakeman	The Goldbergs
2 :00	Music Box	Guiding Light	News, C. Foster	News; Club Caravan	All Sports Parade	Joyce Jordan
:15	" "	Today's Children	Russ Hodges	Club Caravan	Tony Wakeman	Two on a Clue
:30	Accent on Music	Women in White	Johnny Neblett	" "	All Sports Parade	Young Dr. Malone
:45	" " "	Betty Crocker	Russ Hodges	" "	Tony Wakeman	Perry Mason
3 :00	Morton Downey	Woman of America	Compton; Hodges	WINX News	All Sports Parade	Mary Marlin
:15	International	Ma Perkins	Russ Hodges	T for Two	Tony Wakeman	Tena & Tim
:30	Children's Party	Pepper Young Family	The Smoothies	" " "	All Sports Parade	Janice Grey
:45	" " "	Right to Happiness	Russ Hodges	" " "	Tony Wakeman	News for Women
4 :00	"Time" Views News	Backstage Wife	News; Walt. Compton	News;Concert Moderne	All Sports Parade	Service Time
:15	Accent on Music	Stella Dallas	Russ Hodges	Concert Moderne	Tony Wakeman	" "
:30	News; Evans	Lorenzo Jones	Zeb Carver's Orch.	Jam for Supper	All Sports Parade	Texas Rangers
:45	Hop Harrigan	Young Widow Brown	Russ Hodges	" "	Tony Wakeman	" "
5 :00	Terry and Pirates	When a Girl Marries	News; Art Brown	News; Music Hall	Band of the Day	Sing Along Club
:15	Dick Tracy	Portia Faces Life	Brown at the Organ	Music Hall	Sinatra vs. Crosby	Evelyn Winters
:30	Jack Armstrong	Just Plain Bill	Superman	" "	News; Theater	News; Band
:45	Captain Midnight	Front Page Farrel	Tom Mix	" "	"Theater of the Air"	Stump Us
6 :00	News; Optimists	News; Lolf Eid	Russ Hodges	WINX News	News; Melody Lane	Mahoney, Costello
:15	Earl Godwin	Musicade	Walter Compton	Dinner Music	Melody Lane	Lyn Murray Show
:30	Martin Agronsky	Dutch Bergman	Johnson Family	Hollywood News	Richard Eaton	"6:30 Show"
:45	Walter Kiernan	Lowell Thomas	Musical Interlude	News for Young Am.	All Sports Parade	News; J. Harsch
7 :00	Happy Island	Perry Como	Fulton Lewis, Jr.	WINX News	Romantic Rendezvous	I Love a Mystery
:15	" "	World News	Today in History	Pop Concert	Dixie Harmonies	Raymond Scott Show
:30	The Lone Ranger	Stringfime	Magic Dollars	Charles Pergler	Talking Pictures	Friday on Broadway
:45	" " "	Herson in Person	" "	Trade Winds Tavern	Bible Question Box	" "
8 :00	Stars of the Future	Highways in Melody	Sizing Up the News	News; Music	Castles On The Air	Aldrich Family
:15	" " "	" " "	Diamond Dramas	USO Bulletin	" " "	" "
:30	Famous Jury Trials	Duffy's Tavern	Freedom of	Harmony Hall	News; 1450 Club	Adventures of the
:45	" "	" "	Opportunity	" "	1450 Club	Thin Man; News
9 :00	Gang Busters	Waltz Time	Gabriel Heatter	News; Symphony	1450 Club	It Pays to Be Ignorant
:15	" "	" "	Real Life Stories	Chopin's	" "	" "
:30	Spotlight Bands	People Are Funny	Double or Nothing	Concerto No. 1	News, 1450 Club	That Brewster Boy
:45	(Eddie Howard)	" "	" "	in E Minor	1450 Club	" "
10 :00	Earl Godwin	Amos 'n' Andy	Harold Green vs.	Basin Street	1450 Club	Moore and Durante
:15	Bob and Ilene	" "	Rocky Graziano	Places to Go	" "	" "
:30	Rabbi Garstenfeld	Sports Newsreel	Boxing Bout	Doctors Talk It Over	News; Great Scott	Stage Door Canteen
:45	" "	Rep. A. S. Monroney	" "	Eddie Nesbitt	Great Scott	" "
11 :00	News; Evans	News; Music	News; Billy Repaid	News; Music	" "	News, Daly and Howe
:15	Hour of Dreams	Richard Harness	Fulton Lewis, Jr.	Musical Roundup	" "	Arch McDonald's
:30	" " "	We Came This Way	Leo Reisman's Orch.	Del Rio Club	News; Hits of the Day	Moondial
:45	" " "	" " " "	" "	" "	Hits of the Day	Let's Listen

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TERRY

CAPTAIN TUMBLIN, I-I HAD A NOTE FROM WILLOW BELINDA ASKING ME TO VISIT HER IN HER HOSPITAL ROOM-BUT I DIDN'T KNOW YOU WERE TO BE HERE...
I, TOO, HAD A NOTE FROM WILLOW!.. I THINK WE'VE BEEN FRAMED, JANE!
I GUESS SO... BUT ON YOU IT LOOKS GOOD!
JANE, DO YOU EVER THINK OF WHAT IT WOULD BE LIKE IF WE WERE CIVILIANS?
CONST--- I MEAN, YES, I OFTEN DO, SNAKE!
I GUESS THE FELLOW WHO WROTE THE U.S. SOLDIER'S HANDBOOK DIDN'T ANTICIPATE A SITUATION LIKE THIS, EH, JANE?
WELL.... IT SAYS THAT OFFICERS MUST BE OBEYED!
THEN-- FRONT AND CENTER, SERGEANT?

MARY WORTH

HARD TO REALIZE I'M SAYING GOODBYE TO RAOUL TODAY--MAYBE FOREVER!---GOODBYE TO LOVE'S YOUNG DREAM IN PARIS, TOO!
NORMANDY TOWN STUDIO OFFICES OF
I'LL PROBABLY CHEW MY NAILS OFF TO THE KNUCKLES, AFTER HE'S GOT..E--BUT--IF LINK DID COME BACK---
MMM! NEW "LIGHT" MAGAZINE TODAY!
SOMETHING FOR A GOOD LITTLE GIRL TO CURL UP WITH ON THESE LONG--AND LONESOME WINTER EVENINGS!
LIGHT

MICKEY FINN

UNDER SHERIFF? WHAT'S AN UNDER SHERIFF?
HAVE YOU DECIDED WHO YOU ARE GOING TO APPOINT AS UNDER SHERIFF, UNCLE PHIL?
WHY, THE UNDER SHERIFF IS YOUR FIRST ASSISTANT--AND HE ACTS FOR YOU IF YOU'RE AWAY OR ANYTHING!
OH, I SEE! WELL, I'LL DIG UP SOMEBODY BEFORE I TAKE OFFICE!
IT REALLY SHOULD BE A MAN WHO COULD RELIEVE YOU OF A LOT OF DETAILS, UNCLE PHIL--ESPECIALLY THE PAPER WORK!
WHAT D'YA MEAN, PAPER WORK?
YOU'D BETTER READ THIS! IT'S A LIST OF ALL THE DUTIES A SHERIFF HAS TO PERFORM! I GOT IT DOWN AT HEADQUARTERS, TODAY!

MYRTLE

I FOUND JUST THE THING TO GET MOM FOR CHRISTMAS ONLY I HAVEN'T GOT QUITE ENOUGH MONEY TO BUY IT!
HOW MUCH MORE DO YOU NEED?
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YOU'D BETTER PUT IT BACK IN STOCK. I WANT TO LOOK AROUND A LITTLE MORE!

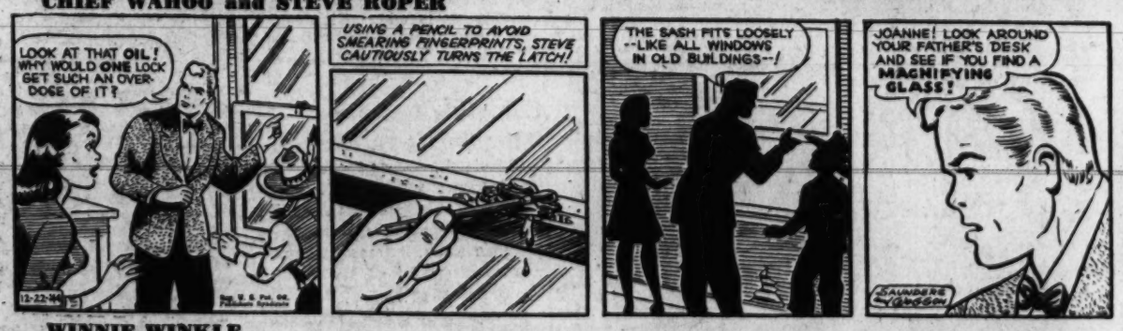
DIXIE DUGAN

DIXIE DUGAN! YOU'RE JUST THE GIRL I WANT TO SEE!
H'LO, MAZIE!
I UNDERSTAND YOUR MOTHER IS MAKING SOME MIGHTY CUTE DRESSES--I SAW ESTHER WEARING ONE THE OTHER DAY AND IT'S A KNOCKOUT
WELL--MA IS IN THE DRESS-MAKING BUSINESS AGAIN--ON A SMALL SCALE
OUR CHURCH IS GIVING A STYLE SHOW--ADMISSION PRICE GOES TO CHARITY--SEVERAL OF THE BIGGEST STORES IN TOWN WILL BE REPRESENTED--HOW ABOUT REPRESENTING YOUR MOTHER?
IN CASE YOU DIDN'T KNOW IT--I'M MODELING FOR HER NOW--LIKE THE OUTFIT?
IT'S DARLING!--WILL YOU DO IT?
OF COURSE

DON WINSLOW

SHE'S A CRUEL DEMON!
LET ME GET MY HANDS ON HER!
SHE'S THE CAUSE OF OUR MISERY!
NO-NO YOU MUST NOT! ONE ERROR WILL NOT BE WIPED OUT BY ANOTHER---YOU MUST LISTEN!
SHE CAN TELL US MUCH ABOUT THE REAL LEADER OF THE INFAMOUS CLENCHED FIST!
ARE YOU WILLING TO COOPERATE?
EVERY SECOND THE CLOCK TICKS YOU ARE IN DANGER.
YES, I WILL HELP, BUT IT MAY BE TOO LATE... MUCH TOO LATE!

CHIEF WAHOO and STEVE ROPER


LOOK AT THAT OIL! WHY WOULD ONE LOCK GET SUCH AN OVERDOSE OF IT?
USING A PENCIL TO AVOID SMEARING FINGERPRINTS, STEVE CAUTIOUSLY TURNS THE LATCH!
THE SASH FITS LOOSELY--LIKE ALL WINDOWS IN OLD BUILDINGS--!
JOANNE! LOOK AROUND YOUR FATHER'S DESK AND SEE IF YOU FIND A MAGNIFYING GLASS!

WINNIE WINKLE

I THOUGHT FATHER WOULD MAKE MORE FUSS WHEN HE FOUND HIS OLD RELICS WERE GONE---
PAW IS JES' LIKE A KID! HE NEVER FUSSES TOO MUCH WHEN IT'S SO CLOSE TO CHRISMAS!
TH' DOORBELL! I'LL GIT IT!!
R-RING R-R-RING
STAY AWAY FROM THAT DOOR! IT'S PROBABLY SOMETHING I ORDERED
WHY, THEY'RE ALL FOR YOU, FATHER, BUT IT DOESN'T SAY WHO SENT THEM!
I'LL OPEN 'EM UP AN' SEE!!
YOU'LL WAIT TILL CHRISTMAS TO OPEN 'EM, MR.-SMARTY!

KING OF THE ROYAL MOUNTED

YOU SEE, KING---DESIRE ISN'T THE ONLY MURDER SUSPECT AT LARGE!
GREAT BLAZES! LAWYER JACKSON IS IN HIS OFFICE--HE'S NOT IN JAIL!
THIS BLASTS MY WHOLE CASE!-- I WAS A BIT HASTY IN ACCUSING YOU, DESIRE---I'M SORRY!
LET'S GET JACKSON!
WHEW! THAT WAS TOO CLOSE!

DONALD DUCK

THE SEA HOUND

JOE PALOOKA

BOO!
THE WINNER ON A TECHNICAL KNOCKOUT--PRIVATE JOE PALOOKA.
HO HO-PAY UP, SAILOR.
PHOOEY!
HE WAS BEATIN' PALOOKA !!!
BY GADFREY--HE-AHHH-FORGOT MY TACTICAL INSTRUCTIONS IN THAT ROUND--
WE GOT A RAW DEAL. WE'LL FIGHT 'IN TMORRA.
I DEMAND A NOTHER CHANCE!
BOOOO!
YOU WERE LICKED.
BE FAIR, FELLOWS. HE WON.
HEY, YOU M.P.S--KEEP YER EYES SHARP
ATTA BOY, JOE!
DID WE CLEAN UP--YEAH MAN!
HADDA WIN ON LUCK--BAAAA!!

SUPERMAN

IMAGINE UNCLE PHINEAS LEAVING ME $3,000,000 ON CONDITION THAT I MARRY WITHIN TEN DAYS!
THREE MILLION ISN'T EXACTLY HAY, LOIS!
NO KING FARE ONLY
BUT IT'S INSANE--UTTERLY FANTASTIC! I'D PRACTICALLY BE MARRYING FOR MONEY!
YOUR OWN MONEY, REMEMBER! AND AT RISK OF SEEMING A FORTUNE HUNTER, YOU KNOW HOW I'VE ALWAYS--
SORRY, CLARK... (--IF ONLY SUPERMAN WOULD ASK ME TO MARRY HIM--THE ONE MAN I COULD REALLY LOVE!--)
ZONE CAB
FIRST 1/4 MILE
(--I'VE NEVER BEEN ABLE TO GET TO FIRST BASE WITH LOIS IN MY IDENTITY AS CLARK KENT, BUT PERHAPS IF I WERE TO REVEAL THE FACT THAT I'M SUPERMAN--)

JANE ARDEN

OF COURSE I'VE NOTHING TO HIDE--I'LL ANSWER YOUR QUESTIONS!
DID YOU LOVE STARK SMITH?
YES--YES, I LOVED HIM--
AND HE LOVED ME, TOO--
THAT'S WHY I CAN'T UNDERSTAND HOW HE COULD KILL HIMSELF!
HE DIDN'T!
WHAT'S GOING ON HERE?

NAPOLEON

The Washington Merry-Go-Round

By Drew Pearson

NOW THAT THE YEAR is about over and the President is back from his Warm Spring vacation some interesting figures can be revealed regarding presidential absences from Washington.

During the year 1944 the President has been absent from the White House a total of 25 weeks. He has been in Washington a total of 27 weeks.

Censorship does not permit disclosure of where the President has been during all of these 25 weeks. This censorship in itself has an interesting angle. No longer is there much censorship regarding the President's trips abroad. They are announced in full detail after they have been made, and in the case of his one trip to a foreign country this year—Canada—it was announced even before the President arrived in Quebec.

But the President's local trips around the United States, including those to Hyde Park and areas closer to Washington, are still heavily censored. For instance, this year FDR made four notable trips: To South Carolina for a month's rest in April; to Pearl Harbor and the Aleutians for a cruise in July; to Quebec in September, and to Warm Springs in late November and early December.

These were all made public, as were his political trips during the campaign. However, these do not make up the total of 25 weeks away from Washington, so that a good many other smaller trips were taken which have never been made public, and perhaps never will be.

FDR Loves Mystery

THESE ARE KNOWN to the newspapermen who cover the White House, but they cannot write about them. Censorship forbids it. Censorship, incidentally, is invoked by the White House, not by the Office of Censorship under Byron Price. The censors merely carry out White House orders.

Many of FDR's close friends think that this type of censorship is a mistake and only arouses unfortunate speculation and mystery. If no security was involved in going to Quebec, certainly the President is even safer when he journeys to Hyde Park, and there is no reason why the public shouldn't know about it. Also there is very little security involved when he takes other trips inside the United States.

It was only natural for Roosevelt to go to Warm Springs for a brief vacation, some of his friends point out, therefore they don't think he should have kept the public guessing about it. Result was rumor and speculation, some of it unfortunate.

However, the President seems to get a kick out of keeping his whereabouts secret. He loves to feel that he has outsmarted the press. So the censorship rules are not likely to be relaxed soon.

When Roosevelt, Churchill and Chiang Kai-shek met at Cairo, the Germans even announced the name of the hotel where they were conferring several weeks before an official announcement was given the American people. However, real security was involved here, and no one quarreled with the secrecy which surrounded this trip.

Capital Chaff

COL. ELLIOTT ROOSEVELT, for reasons best known to himself, rated three airplanes to carry his wedding entourage around the USA. He got them through his friend Jack Frye of Transcontinental & Western Airlines, but regardless of where he got them, they used up several hundred gallons of gasoline, while other people were stinting on "A" cards . . . After January 3, Pennsylvania's Congressman Augustine B. "Gus" Kelley, Democrat, won't be the only member of the House with five sons in the service. Newly elected GOP Congressman Gordon L. McDonough of California also has five boys in uniform, three in the Navy, two in the Army. He replaces John Costello of Hollywood. . . . Capitol Architect David Lynn is waiting patiently for Congress to give him a three-month breathing spell to remove the unsightly girders and tresses strung up in both the House and the Senate chambers has never been away for more than six weeks at a stretch, which doesn't give him time to revamp the roof. . . . Navy air navigators are justly burned up at regulations which do not permit them to wear wings, or receive the same flight pay as their opposite numbers in the Army. . . .

Hollywood at White House

NO MATTER WHAT THE pressure, President Roosevelt never lacks the ability to present a completely charming picture to callers. Seventy-five movie exhibitors and producers walked in to discuss his birthday campaign against infantile paralysis just after a hectic press conference and just after the President finally calmed a dangerous filibuster against his State Department.

They came away saying FDR looked calm, cool, and better than ever. They had no idea he had been having a tough time politically. He paid great tribute to what the theatrical world has done to sell war bonds and raise war funds since Pearl Harbor.

"I have never been able to cease wondering at the remarkable energy, initiative and devotion you men show," the President said.

British Scored By Rep. Shafer In Tour Report

By International News Service

Representative Paul W. Shafer (R., Mich.), a member of the House Military Affairs Committee, back from a tour of European battlefronts, said yesterday that the French want to go into Germany as the army of occupation but that Great Britain opposes the proposal.

"Britain," Shafer declared, "does not want to see a strong French army."

The Michigan legislator said that he saw no reason why France should be prevented from forming an army of occupation. "It would enable our own boys to come home sooner," he said.

American GI's, Shafer reported, are discouraged. "They feel that it will be a long time even after VE-Day before they can return home," he said. "At the same time they see young Frenchmen of their same age who are not in uniform."

Nazi Drive "Could Be Finish"

Shafer reported his findings in an exclusive International News Service interview in which he also said:

"The German offensive in Belgium could be the last big battle of the European war.

"Britain has received credit among the French for what America has done. The French are not too happy about being 'liberated.'

"Hi-jacking of U. S. Army gas, cigarettes and other supplies can be stopped by the Army."

Representative John M. Costello (D., Calif.), acting chairman of the touring party, said that while "there is no doubt but what we will win the war, it will take months of difficult fighting to beat an enemy that is showing no signs of cracking."

Six GI's Brought Home

Members of the House group reported their findings in Europe to Secretary of War Henry L. Stimson at a luncheon yesterday. Costello, the spokesman, disclosed later that the party picked up six GI's in Italy who were eligible for furloughs and were waiting transportation home.

"There was room in our plane," Costello said "so we brought them home with us." He declined to disclose their names because their families do not yet know of their return.

Shafer said that the French people have "a strong feeling against our troops." He said that the French are "gypping" Americans and that "they have no idea of what Americans have done for them."

"The French," he said, "are demanding more food than the Army gives them. Regardless of what we might give, they would still ask for more."

Britain the Credit; U. S. the Blame

"The French people have the mistaken idea that we are not doing as much in Europe as the British. They think Britain has equipped the French First Army, whereas we made it possible for the French First Army to fight."

Shafer said that generally Great Britain "has taken the credit and given the U. S. the blame." For instance, he said, the French believe that American planes bombed Havre. The harbor had to be bombed but the entire city back of the water front was leveled, Shafer stated.

"The British did the bombing but we got the blame," he said.

Shafer said that UNRRA—United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration—"has flopped."

He said that not one Army man in France has even been approached by UNRRA, which "should be laying ground work for taking over the relief load."

Died

BUTLER, PHYLLIS ANN. On Tuesday, December 19, 1944, at Providence Hospital, PHYLLIS ANN BUTLER, beloved wife of V. Edward Butler and mother of Phyllis Ann Fitch. Services at Chambers funeral home, 517 11th st. se., on Friday, December 22, at 11 a. m. Interment Cedar Hill Cemetery.

CASKEY, MERRITT P. On Saturday, December 16, 1944, at the home of his mother, Weatherford, Tex.; MERRITT P. CASKEY, beloved son of Mrs. Catherine M. Caskey, father of Merritt E., USA; Corpl. William P., USA; Lieut. Kenneth L. Caskey, USMC; all of Washington, D. C. Service at Chambers funeral home, 1400 Chapin st. nw., on Friday, December 22, at 1:30 p. m. Interment Fort Lincoln.

GARVIN, FREDA KOERNER. On Wednesday, December 20, 1944, at her residence, 2101 Connecticut ave. nw., FREDA KOERNER GARVIN, wife of Charles P. Garvin. Services and interment private. Please omit flowers.

HUNTER, LIDA FLORENCE. On Wednesday, December 20, 1944, at her residence, 620 22d st. nw., LIDA FLORENCE HUNTER, beloved wife of the late Nathanial C. Hunter and mother of Ann Bercdect Hunter, Melville T. Hunter and Mrs. Amelia L. Lloyd. Remains resting at the lives funeral home, 2947 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, Va., where funeral services will be held Saturday, December 23, at 2 p. m. Interment Prospect Hill Cemetery.

MEARDLE, JESSE C. On Wednesday, December 20, 1944, at Baltimore, Md., JESSE C. McARDLE, beloved wife of Thomas L. McArdle of 4709 Chestnut st., Bethesda, Md. Remains resting at the Bethesda-Chevy Chase funeral home of Wm. Reuben Pumphrey. Services on Saturday, December 23, at Our Lady of Lourdes, where requiem mass will be offered at 9 a. m. Interment Mount Olivet Cemetery.

MOORE, EDWARD B. On Tuesday, December 19, 1944, at his residence, 827 N. Capitol st., EDWARD B. MOORE, beloved husband of Martha Moore and father of Mrs. Helen Mae Nicholson and Melvin Moore and brother of George C., Robert L., Mattie E. Moore. Mrs. Josephine M. Minar, Mrs. Laura A. Collins, Mrs. Iva Hanna and Mrs. Pearl Brown. Remains resting at Chambers funeral home, 517 11th st. se., until Saturday, December 23, at 8:30 a. m. Mass at 9 a. m. at St. Aloysius Catholic Church. Interment Fort Lincoln Cemetery.

RICH, FRANK HOLMES. On Wednesday, December 20, 1944, at Mount Alto Hospital, FRANK HOLMES RICH, beloved brother of Ruth Kigh, Owen and Maury Rich and Mrs. J. L. Carey. Remains resting at Chambers funeral home, 1400 Chapin st. nw., where services will be held on Friday, December 22, at 3:30 p. m. Interment Cedar Hill Cemetery.

Quotations on N. Y. Stock Exchange

By the Associated Press

Total sales yesterday, 951,230 shares; previous day, 1,482,500; week ago, 1,386,170; year ago, 580,480; two years ago, 803,648; January 1 to date, 254,541,448; year ago, 273,527,404; two years ago, 120,492,037.

Dow-Jones Stocks

New York, Dec. 21.—

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	
30 ind.	150.33	150.73	149.88	150.28	—0.31
20 rails	47.12	47.59	46.88	47.21	—0.19
15 utils.	25.85	25.96	25.71	25.82	—0.02
65 stocks	55.57	55.83	55.36	55.58	—0.13

Transactions in stocks used in averages today: Industrials, 45,400; rails, 88,300; utilities, 45,400; 65 stocks, 179,130.

	Sales. Add 00	High	Low	Close	Net Ch'ge
Abbott Lab	3	64¼	63¾	63¾	+ ¼
A C F Brill	10	9¾	9¾	9¾	— ⅛
Adams Exp	2	13¼	13¼	13¼	—
Addressog-Mult	7	23½	23⅛	23⅛	— ⅛
Air Reduction	11	38⅝	38¼	38¼	+ ¼
Alaska Juneau	10	6	5⅞	6	—
Alleghany Corp	28	3	2⅞	2⅞	— ⅛
Alleg Lud Stl	20	36¾	36	36¼	— ⅝
Allen Industries	11	28	27½	27½	— ⅝
Al Chem & Dye	1	163¼	163¼	163¼	—
Allied Mills	3	155¼	155¼	155¼	— ¾
Allied Strs	3	32¼	32	32	—
Allied St pf	10	21¼	21½	21½	— ⅛
Allis-Ch Mfg	38	101¾	101¾	101¾	— ⅝
Alpha P Cem	1	27¼	27¼	27¾	+ ⅛
Am Ag Ch Del	3	22¾	22¼	23⅝	+ ½
Am Airlines	7	22	22	22	—
Am Bank Note	1	43⅜	43	43⅜	+ ⅛
Am Bosch	1	21	21	21	—
Am Brake Shoe	9	77⅞	77¼	77½	—
Am Cable&Rad	53	44	44	44	—
Am Can	7	91½	91¼	91½	+ ⅛
Am Car & Fdy	1	39¾	39¾	39¾	—
Am Ch & Cable	4	26¾	26¾	26¾	—
Am Crystal Sug	1	19¼	19¼	19¼	—
Am Distill	38	34	33¾	33¾	—
Am Encaus Tit	1	3½	3½	3½	—
Am Export L	1	26½	26½	26½	—
Am & For Pow	6	2	2	2	—
Am&F P $6 pf	1	92	92	92	—
Am&F P $7 pf	1	96¼	96¼	96¼	—
Am&F P 2 pf	14	20½	19¾	20½	+ ⅝
Am-Hawaii SS	8	39	39	39	—
Am Home Prod	19	69	68¼	68¼	— ¾
Am Home P rt	348				
Am Ice	2	6¼		6¼	—
Am Ice pf	2	69½	69½	69½	—
Am Internat	1	8¾	8¾	8¾	—
Am Loco	23	26¾	26¼	26¼	— ⅛
Am M & Fdy	2	22½	22	22	—
Am M & Met	3	12	12	12	—
Am Metal	10	24¾	24¾	24¾	—
Am Pow & Lt	21	5	4¾	4¾	—
Am P&L $6 pf	2	59	59	59	—
Am P&L $5 pf	15	53¼	53	53¼	—
Am Rad & St S	74	11¾	11¼	11¼	— ⅛
Am Roll Mill	17	15	14¾	14¾	— ⅛
Am Safety Raz	7	18	18	18	—
Am Smelt & R	18	39½	38½	39½	+ ⅝
Am Snuff	4	42½	42½	42½	—
Am Stl Fdrs	13	27	27	27	—
Am Stores	2	17¼	17	17¼	—
Am Sugar Ref	11	55¼	54¾	54¾	— ⅛
Am T & Tel	13	164¾	164	164	— ¼
Am Tobacco	2	64½	64	64½	—
Am Tob B	6	64½	64¼	64½	—
Am Type Fdrs	24	15¼	15	15¼	—
Am Viscose	8	45¾	45¼	45¼	— ⅛
Am Wat Wks	41	8¾	8¾	8¾	—
Am Woolen	1	8½	8½	8½	—
Am Wool pf	3	102½	102	102	— ⅛
Am Zinc L&S	24	5½	5½	5½	—
Anaconda Cop	19	28	27¾	27¾	—
A P W Prod	1	5	5	5	—
Arch-Dan-M	2	52¼	52	52¼	—
Armour & Co	24	6¾	6¼	6¼	— ⅛
Armour of pf	1	100	100	100	—
Armstrong Cork	1	45	44½	44½	—
Artloom Corp	1	9¾	9¾	9¾	—
Asso Dry Goods	2	18¾	18¾	18¾	—
Atch T&S F	43	81¼	79	79¾	— 1¼
Atch T&S F pf	3	32¼	32	32	—
Atl Coast Line	31	53¾	52½	52½	— 1¼
Atl G&W S S Lines	2	3¾	3¾	3¾	—
Atl Refining	20	30¼	30¼	30¼	— ⅛
Atlas Corp	38	15¾	15¾	15¾	— ⅛
Autocar Co	1	21¼	21¼	21¼	—
Aviation Corp	476	5¼	5	5	— ⅛
Baldwin Loco pf	40	25¾	25¾	25¾	—
Balt & Ohio	11	23¾	23¾	23¾	—
B & O pf	83	21½	21½	21½	—
Bangor & Ar	5	13¾	13¾	13¾	—
Barber Asph	11	31¾	30¾	30¾	— ⅝
Barker Bros	1	17¾	17¾	17¾	—
Barnsdall Oil	15	16¾	16¾	16¾	—
Bath Ir Wks	3	17¾	17¾	17¾	—
Bayuk Cigars	3	33¼	33¼	33¼	—
Beatrice Cream	2	36¼	36¼	36¼	—
Beech Aire	35	13½	13½	13½	—
Beech-Nut Pack	1	118	118	118	—
Belding-Hem	1	11¾	11¾	11¾	—
Bell Aire	45	14	13¾	13¾	—
Bendix Aviat	10	47¾	46¾	46¾	— ⅝
Benef Ind Ln	2	19¾	19¼	19¼	— ⅛
Best & Co	2	38¾	38¾	38¾	—
Best Foods	29	38¾	38¼	38¼	— ⅛
Bethl Steel	19	64	63¾	63¾	— ⅛
Bethl Steel pf	1	129	129	129	—
Bigelow-Sanf	1	49	49	49	—
Black & Decker	1	25	25	25	—
Blaw-Knox	19	14½	14¼	14¼	— ⅛
Bliss & Laugh	1	21	21	21	—
Boeing Airplane	47	17¾	17¾	17¾	—
Bohn Al & Br	6	49¼	49¼	49¼	—
Bond Stores	5	43¾	42	42	— 1
Borden Co	10	33¼	33	33¼	—
Borg-Warner	38	38¼	38¼	38¼	—
Braniff Airw	8	19¾	19¾	19¾	—
Bridgeport Br	9	10¾	10¾	10¾	—
Briggs Mfg	53	38	37¾	37¾	— ⅛
Briggs & Strat	4	40¼	40¼	40¼	—
Bklyn Un Gas	3	20¾	20¾	20¾	—
Brunswick-Bal	1	23¼	23¼	23¼	—
Bucyrus-Erie	1	13¾	13¾	13¾	—
Budd Mfg	27	10¾	10¼	10¼	— ⅛
Budd Wheel	3	10¼	10¼	10¼	—
Buffalo Forge	1	20	20	20	—
Bullard Co	4	22¼	22	22	—
Bulova Watch	1	20	20	20	—
Burling Mills	3	46½	46½	46½	—
Burlington Mills	7	38¾	38¼	38¼	— ⅛
Burr Add Mach	14	11¾	11¾	11¾	—
Bush Terminal	16	7	7	7	—
Butler Bros	17	11¾	11¾	11¾	—
Butte & Z	42	3¼	3	3	— ⅛
Byers A M Co	3	34½	34½	34½	—
Byron Jackson	1	16¾	16¾	16¾	—
Calif Packing	2	27	26¾	26¾	— ⅛
Callahan Z-Ld	22	1½	1½	1½	—
Calumet & Hec	7	7½	7½	7½	—
Campbell Wyant	2	20	20	20	—
Can Dry G Ale	12	30¾	30¼	30¼	— ⅛
Canad Pacific	30	11¾	11¾	11¾	—
Capital Adm A	1	10¼	10¼	10¼	—
Carpenter Stl	5	32¼	32¼	32¼	—
Carrier Corp	5	20¼	20¼	20¼	—
Carriers & Gen	12	20½	20½	20½	—
Case (JI) Co	5	59	59	59	—
Caterpil Tractor	5	36¼	36	36	— ⅛
Celanese Corp	6	36¾	36¾	36¾	—
Celanese 1st pf	2	105½	105½	105½	—
Celotex Corp	20	14	13¾	13¾	—
Cent Azuirre	1	20¼	20¼	20¼	—
Cent Foundry	7	4¼	4¼	4¼	—
Cent RR NJ	3	59¾	59¾	59¾	—
Cerro de Pas	3	31¾	31¾	31¾	—
Certain-teedPro	14	6¾	6¾	6¾	—
Champ Pap & F	1	29	29	29	—
Checker Cab	1	14	14	14	—
Ches Corp Va	1	49¾	49¾	49¾	—
Ches & Ohio	29	49¾	49¼	49¼	— ⅛
Chi & E Ill	5	6¾	6¾	6¾	—
Chi & E Ill A	5	16	16	16	—
Chi Grt West	23	7	7	7	—
Chi Grt W pf	24	23¾	23¾	23¾	—
Chi Mail Order	1	24¼	24¼	24¼	—
Chi & NW	28	25¾	24¾	24¾	— ⅛
Chi & NW pf	12	55¾	55¾	55¾	—
Chi Pneu Tool	2	20	20	20	—
Chi Yell Cab	5	15	15	15	—
Childs Co	1	4¾	4¾	4¾	—
Chrysler Corp	13	90¼	90¼	90¼	—
City Stores	1	10¼	10¼	10¼	—
Clark Equip	3	47¼	47¼	47¼	—
Climax Molyb	3	34	33½	33¾	— ⅛
Cluett Peabody	3	36¾	36¼	36¼	— ⅛
Coca-Cola	2	134½	134	134	— ½
Colgate-Palm-P	11	23¾	23¾	23¾	—
Collins & Aik	2	33½	33½	33½	—
Col Gas & El	5	5¾	5¾	5¾	—
Colum Brdcst A	3	27¾	27¾	27¾	—
Colum Brdcst B	2	34¼	34¼	34¼	—
Colum G & E	53	4¾	4¾	4¾	—
Colum Pict	1	10¾	10¾	10¾	—
Coml Credit	20	21¾	21¾	21¾	—
Comm Invest Tr	37	28½	28½	28½	—
Coml Solvents	15	15¾	15¾	15¾	—
Comwlth Edis	26	28½	28¼	28¼	— ⅛
Comwlth & Sou	78	2	2	2	—
Com & Sou pf	6	94¼	94¼	94¼	—
Conde Nast	1	23¾	23¾	23¾	—
Congoleum-N	8	28¼	28¼	28¼	—
Consol Cigar	1	28¼	28¼	28¼	—
Cons Copper	5	3¾	3¾	3¾	—
Cons Edison	92	24½	24	24	— ⅝
Cons Edis pf	1	108	108	108	—
Cons F Ind pf	6	29	29	29	—
Cons Laundries	1	12	12	12	—
Cons Nat Gas	10	31¼	31¼	31¼	—
Consol RR Cu pf	1	21½	21½	21½	—
Cons Vultee	52	19¾	19¾	19¾	—
Cons Vultee pf	1	25¼	25¼	25¼	—
Consol Coal	10	25¼	25¼	25¼	—
Consol Coal pf	1	22½	22½	22½	—
Container Corp	6	28½	28¼	28¼	— ⅛
Cont Bak	1	8¾	8¾	8¾	—
Cont Bak pf	1	29¾	29¾	29¾	—
Cont Can	7	110¼	110¼	110¼	—
Cont Diam Fib	12	11¼	11¼	11¼	—
Cont Motors	21	6¾	6¾	6¾	—
Cont Oil Del	10	31¼	31¼	31¼	—
Copperweld Stl	4	23¾	23¾	23¾	—
Corn Prod Ref	6	58¾	58¼	58¼	— ⅛
Cornell-Dub-El	2	20	20	20	—
Cotr Inc	1	6¾	6¾	6¾	—
Coty Inc	15	6¼	6¼	6¼	—
Crane Co	6	25¼	25¼	25¼	—
Cream of Wh	2	24½	24½	24½	—
Crosley Corp	8	24¼	24¼	24¼	—
Crown Cork&S	8	58¼	58¼	58¼	—
Crown Zellerb	3	36¼	36¼	36¼	—
Crucible Steel	13	58¾	58¼	58¼	— ⅛
Crucible Stl pf	1	88½	88½	88½	—
Cuban-Am Sug	1	16¾	16¾	16¾	—
Cuneo Press	1	29¾	29¾	29¾	—
Curtis Publish	13	9¾	9¾	9¾	—
Curtis Pub pr pf	2	60¼	60¼	60¼	—
Curtiss-Wright	55	5¾	5¾	5¾	—
Curtiss-Wr Cl A	1	16	16	16	—
Cutler-Hammer	3	77¼	77¼	77¼	—
Davega Stores	2	17¾	17¾	17¾	—
Davison Chem	24	27½	27½	27½	—
Decca Records	2	15¾	15¾	15¾	—
Deere & Co	13	41¾	41¾	41¾	—
Deere & Co pf	1	36½	36½	36½	—
Del & Hudson	11	36¼	36¼	36¼	—
Del Lack & W	25	34	34	34	—
Detroit Edison	8	34½	34½	34½	—
Diam T Motor	3	20½	20¼	20¼	—
Dist Corp-Seag	5	16¼	16¼	16¼	—
Dist Corp-S pf	1	36	36	36	—
Doehler Die Cas	5	104	104	104	—
Dome Mines	8	42½	42½	42½	—
Douglas Aircraft	4	69¼	68¾	68¾	— ⅝
Dow Chem	9	118¾	118	118	—
Dresser Ind	1	13¾	13¾	13¾	—
Dunhill Int	1	13¼	13¼	13¼	—
Duplan Corp	2	19¼	18¾	18¾	— ⅛
du Pont de N	1	156¾	156¾	156¾	—
du Pont pf	2	127¼	127¼	127¼	—
Eastn Kod Pitch	4	43¾	43¾	43¾	—
Eastern Air L	17	32¼	31¾	31¾	— ⅛
East St Gas	1	39¼	39¼	39¼	—
Eastman Kodak	38	155¼	154¾	154¾	— ¼
Edis Bros Strs	1	22	22	22	—
El Aurora Edis	1	23¾	23¾	23¾	—
Elec Boat	11	43¾	42¾	42¾	— ⅝
El & Mus Ind	23	4¾	4¾	4¾	—
El Power & Lt	10	4¾	4¾	4¾	—
El Stor Bat	1	37¾	37¾	37¾	—
El Stor Bat pf	1	102	102	102	—
Emerson El Mf	21	20¼	20¼	20¼	—
Eng Pub Serv	10	16¼	16¼	16¼	—
Eng P S $5 pf	1	102	102	102	—
Equit Off Bldg	1	10¼	10¼	10¼	—
Erie RR	11	13¼	13	13	— ⅛
Erie RR pf	30	18¾	18¾	18¾	—
Eureka V Clean	2	12¾	12¾	12¾	—
Evans Products	11	16¾	16¾	16¾	—
Exchange Buffet	14	6¾	6¾	6¾	—
Fairbanks Morse	6	43¾	43	43	— ⅛
Fajardo Sugar	9	24¾	24½	24½	— ⅛
Fed Lt & Trac	1	16¼	16¼	16¼	— ⅛
Fed Mo Truck	12	9¾	9¼	9¼	— ¼
Federat D Strs	6	30¾	30¼	30¾	+ ⅛
Fid P Fire Ins	8	52	51½	51½	— 1
Firestone T & R	2	55¾	55½	55¾	—
First Nat Strs	2	42¼	42¼	42¼	—
Flintkote	6	23½	23¼	23¼	— ⅛
Florsheim Sh A	1	31⅝	31¼	31⅝	—
Food Fair Strs	6	15¾	15½	15¾	—
Foster Wheeler	3	27¾	27¾	27¾	—
Francisco Sugar	3	17¼	17¼	17¼	—
Freeport Sulph	1	33	32¾	32¾	—
Fruehauf Tra	2	44⅛	44⅛	44⅛	—
Fair (Robert)	20	4½	4½	4½	—
Gair (Robt) pf	1	15¾	15¾	15¾	—
Gamewell new	1	17¼	17	17	— ⅛
Gar Wood Ind	10	7¼	7¼	7¼	—
Gaylord Cont	3	21¼	21¼	21¼	—
Gen Am Invest	6	15¾	15½	15½	—
Gen Am Trans	1	50½	50½	50½	—
Gen Baking	9	8½	8½	8½	—
Gen Bronze	43	18	16¼	16¼	— 1¾
Gen Cable	4	6¼	6¼	6¼	—
Gen Cable A	1	19¾	19¾	19¾	—
Gen Cigar	6	27½	27½	27½	—
Gen Elec	32	38¼	38¼	38¼	—
Gen Foods	7	41¾	41¾	41¾	— ⅛
Gen G & E A	9	3¾	3¾	3¾	—
Gen Mills	4	117	117	117	— 1¼
Gen Motors	36	63⅞	63¼	63¼	— ⅛
Gen Motors pf	1	127¼	127¼	127¼	— ¼
Gen Out Adver	3	11¼	11¼	11¼	—
Gen Prec Eq	5	23¼	23	23	— ¼
Gen Print Ink	4	9¾	9¾	9¾	—
Gen Ry Signal	2	30¾	30¾	30¾	—
Gen Ry Signal pf	1	107	107	107	—
Gen Real & Util	36	30½	30½	30¾	+ ¼
Gen Refract	1	21¼	21¼	21¼	—
Gen Tel	2	26	26	26	—
Gen Time Inst	31	30½	30½	30½	—
Gen T & Rub	4	24½	24½	24½	—
Gillette Saf R	15	14¾	14¼	14¼	— ⅛
Gimbel Bros	11	23¾	23¾	23¾	—
Gladden Co	1	21¾	21¾	21¾	—
Gladden cv pf	1	51½	51½	51½	— 1
Glidden Co	26	14½	14	14	— ⅛
Gulf Oil	49	58¾	58	58	— ⅛
Hamil Watch	1	15¾	15¾	15¾	—
Harb-Walker	4	18	18	18	—
Hayes Indust	1	9¼	9	9	—
Hayes Mfg	31	63¾	63¼	63¼	— ⅛
Hercules Motors	1	22¾	22¾	22¾	—
Hercules Powder	2	82¾	82¾	82¾	—
Hershey Chocolate	1	23¼	23¼	23¼	—
Holland Furn	2	44¼	44¼	44¼	—
Holly Sugar	1	17¾	17¾	17¾	—
Homestake Min	19	42¾	42	42	— ¼
Houd-Hershey	14	16¾	16¾	16¾	—
Houston L & P	9	16¾	16¾	16¾	—
Houston Oil	13	35¼	35	35	— ¼
Howe Sound	4	34	34	34	—
Hudson & Man	1	14¾	14¾	14¾	—
Hud Bay M&S	3	26¾	26¾	26¾	—
Hudson Motor	15	14¾	14¼	14¼	— ⅛
Hupp Motor	4	3¾	3¾	3¾	—
Idaho Power	3	31¾	31¼	31¼	—
Illinois Central	28	20¾	20¾	20¾	—
Ill Central pf	4	52	52	52	—
Indpls P&L&SSMB	19	21¾	21¾	21¾	—
Indust Rayon	65	2¼	2¼	2¼	—
Indust Ray pf	52	19¾	19¾	19¾	—
Inland Steel	1	106½	106½	106½	—
Inspirat C Cop	17	82¼	82¼	82¼	—
Interchem Corp	1	11¼	11¼	11¼	—
Interco Rubber	6	38¼	38¼	38¼	—
Interlake Iron	8	9¼	9	9	—
Int Harvester	4	81¾	81¾	82	+ ¼
Int Hydro-El A	1	2	2	2	—
Int Min & Ch	6	17¼	17¼	17¼	—
Int Min&Ch pf	1	76	76	76	—
Int Nickel	29	40¾	40¼	40¼	— ⅛
Int Paper	37	20¼	20¼	20¼	—